

# Summiting Everest

**[Hint: Pay close attention to the punctuation]**

Alice: Hey Bob, did you finalize our climbing team for Everest?

Bob: Yeah, I've got the list here. Who's leading the summit push?

Alice: Exactly!

Bob: I mean, who is our lead climber?

Alice: Yes, Who is leading the summit push.

Bob: That's what I'm asking! What's their name?

Alice: No, What's handling base camp.

Bob: Huh? Okay, let's start again. Who is our lead climber?

Alice: Yes.

Bob: The name of our lead climber?

Alice: Who.

Bob: The climber leading the summit push!

Alice: Who is leading the summit push.

Bob: (frustrated) Fine, and What is doing what?

Alice: What is handling base camp.

Bob: I'm asking about the summit push!

Alice: Who is leading that.

Bob: And the base camp?

Alice: What.

Bob: I'm not asking you "what," I'm asking you who is the lead climber.

Alice: Who.

Bob: The summit push leader!

Alice: Who is leading the summit push.

Bob: And who's at base camp?

Alice: No, What is at base camp.

Bob: Who's at base camp?

Alice: No, Who is leading the summit push.

Bob: What about the base camp?

Alice: Exactly!

Bob: And the equipment manager?

Alice: I Don't Know.

Bob: You don't know the equipment manager?

Alice: Yes, I Don't Know is the equipment manager.

Bob: (sighs) Okay, so I Don't Know is the equipment manager, What is at base camp, and Who is leading the summit push?

Alice: Exactly!

Bob: (mutters) This is going to be a long climb.

Alice: Oh, Long Climb is our route planner.

Bob: (walks away)