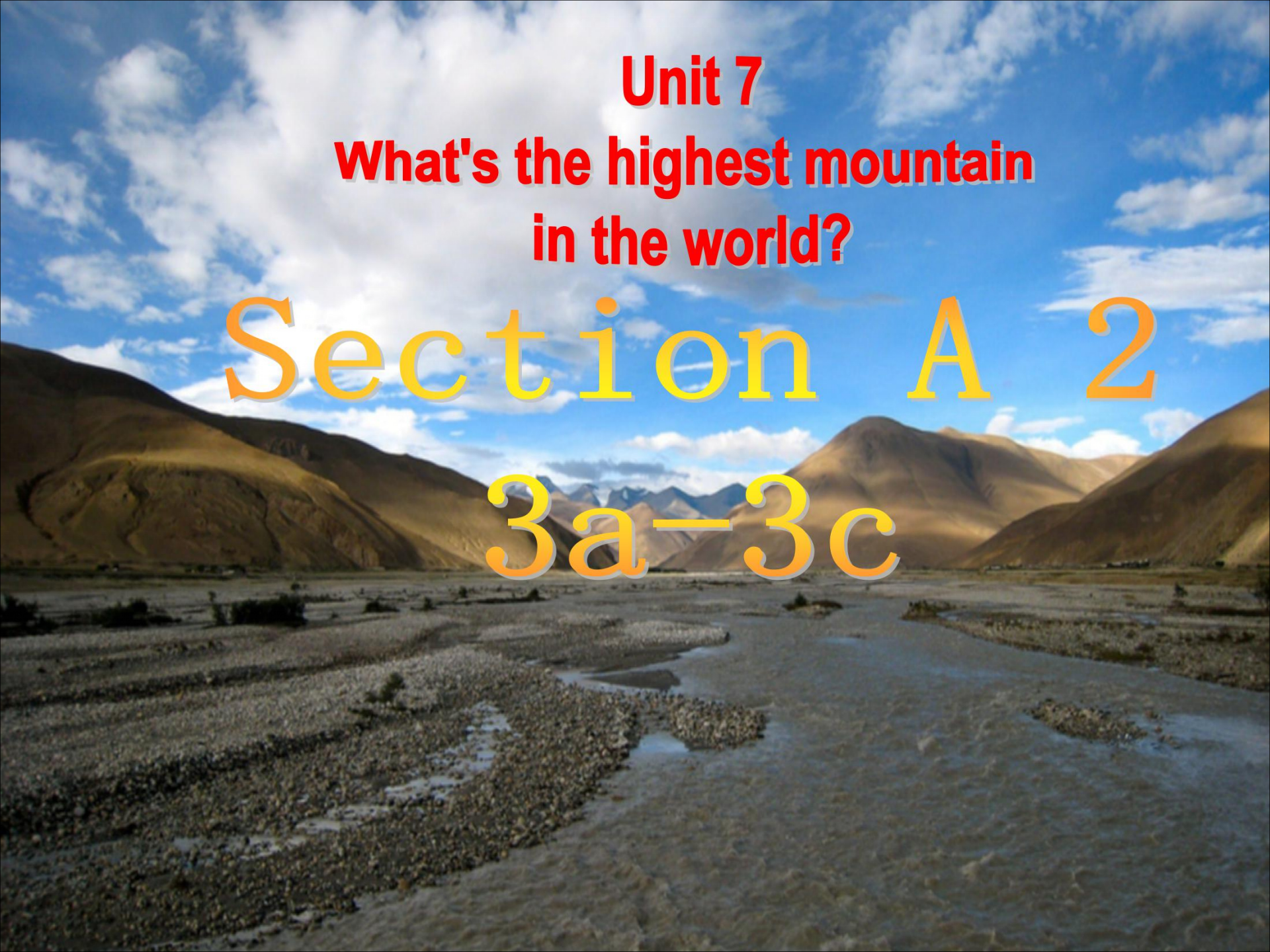


# Unit 7

**What's the highest mountain  
in the world?**

Section A 2

3a-3c



# Revision

**Which is the highest mountain in the world?**

**Which is the longest river in Asia? ...**



# Teaching aims

- Practise students' reading skills
- Remember the key sentences in 3a

Check the preview

# Pre-reading

**What do you know about Qomolangma?**

**Talk about Qomolangma in pairs.**



# Reading

自读文章，在书中划出重点、疑点后，翻译下列短语。先独立完成，后小组商议。

1. 最危险的山峰

**the most dangerous mountain**

2. 世界上最危险的运动之一

**one of the world's most dangerous sports**

3. 登山（名词短语） / （动词短语）

**mountain climbing/climb mountains**

4. 来自世界各地的登山者

**the climbers from all over the world**

5. 横亘于中国的西南边界

**run along the southwestern part of China**

6. 在所有的山峰中

**of all the mountains**

7. 厚厚的云层

**thick clouds**

8. 更为严重的困难

**more serious difficulties**

9. 寒冷的天气状况和强劲的暴风雪

**freezing weather conditions and**

**heavy storms**

10. 首次到达珠穆朗玛峰顶的人

**the first people to reach the top of**

**Qomolangma**



# Task 1

3a

Read the article and match each paragraph with the main ideas.

Paragraph 1

spirit of climbers

Paragraph 2

achievements of

climbers

Paragraph 3

facts and dangers

## Task 2

According to the passage, fill in the blanks.

One of the most dangerous sports in the world is mountain climbing, and one of the most popular places to go for this is the Himalayas. These extremely high risk attract climbers from all over the world. Many people say this is one of the most famous parts of the world.

The Himalayas runs along the southwestern border of china. Of all the peaks (tops), Qomolangma is the highest and most famous. It's the hardest to climb Qomolangma because thick clouds cover the top of the mountain. Even more serious difficulties include the freezing weather conditions and the heavy storms.

The first people to reach the top of Qomolangma – Tenzing Norgay and Edmund Hillary – did it in 1953. The first Chinese climber reached the top in 1960, and in 1975, the first woman did it too.

# **Task 3**

**Read the article again, and answer the following questions**

**1. What a mountain is Himalayas?**

**It's one of the most popular places for mountain climbing.**

**2. Why is it dangerous to climb Qomolangma?**

**Because thick clouds cover the top and snow can fall very hard.**

**3. When did the first Chinese reach the top of Qomolangma? In 1960.**

# Task 4

3b

Read the article again and complete the chart.

Paragraph 1	Paragraph 2	Paragraph 3
List tour dangers for climbers.	List three achievements	List tour comparisons
thick clouds	1953—Tenzing Norgay and Edmund Hillary were the first to reach the top	most dangerous sport

**snow can fall  
very hard**

**freezing  
weather  
conditions**

**heavy storms**

**The first  
Chinese team  
reached the  
top in 1960.**

**The first  
woman to  
succeed was**

**Junko Tabei  
from Japan in  
1975.**

**People can  
challenge  
themselves in the  
face of difficulties.**

**Never give up  
trying to achieve  
our dream.**

**Humans can be  
stronger than the  
forces of nature.**



## **Task 5**

**3c**

**Answer the questions using information from the article.**

**1. Where are the Himalayas?**

**In the southwestern part of China.**

**2. How high is Qomolangma?**

**8,844.43 meters high.**

**3. Why do so many people try to climb this mountain even though it is dangerous?**

**Because people want to challenge themselves in the face of difficulties.**

**4. What does the spirit of the climbers tell us?**

**We should never give up trying to achieve our dreams.**

# Exercise


Make sentences using the information in the forms.

<b>the Nile</b>	<b>the Yangtze River</b>	<b>the Yellow River</b>
<b>6,670</b>	<b>6,300</b>	<b>5,500</b>

The Yellow River is **long**.

The Yangtze River is **a lot** **longer** **than** the Yellow River.

The Nile is **the longest** **of all**.



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**The Yangtze River is **not** as long as the Nile.**

**= The Yangtze River is **not** longer **than** the Nile.**

Qomolangma	Mount Huang	Mount Tai
8,848	1,864	1,545

Mount Tai is **high**.

Mount Huang is **a little higher than**  
Mount Tai.

Qomolangma is **the highest of all**.

Mount Tai is **not as high as Qomolangma**.


= Mount Tai is **not higher than**

Qomolangma.



<b>Singapore</b>	<b>Malaysia</b>	<b>China</b>
<b>4,000,000</b>	<b>20,000,000</b>	<b>1300,000,000</b>

1. The population of Singapore is **large**.
2. The population of Malaysia is much **larger** than that of Singapore.
3. The population of China is **the largest** **of all**.



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<b>4,000,000</b>	<b>20,000,000</b>	<b>1300,000,000</b>

**4. The population of Singapore is not as large as that of China.**

**5. The population of Singapore is not larger than that of China.**

# Summary





# Homework

**Retell the article, then preview the  
Grammar focus.**

