Thank you for downloading this resource. The word problems here are colour-coded by level of challenge:

Base Camp = Green

Hill Climber = Blue

Mountaineer = Red

Everest = Purple.

Pupils will need to read the problems very carefully, as the problems contain varying amounts of extraneous information! In fact, there is one question (the Everest level question about people in a classroom) that is unsolvable!

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Kind Regards,

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How many pencils are on the	
table?	
Aarnav puts 2	The table is red.
pencils on the	
table.	
Aarnav likes	Wasseem puts 3
football.	pencils on the
	table.

How many people are in the school hall?	
5 girls walk into the hall.	The hall is really big.
2 boys walk into the hall.	6 girls walk into the hall.

How many things are in the	
party bag?	
There are 3	There are 5
lollipops inside	sweets inside the
the bag.	bag.
There is one toy	The party is on
inside the bag.	Monday.

How many balloons are there?	
There are 4	There are 2
blue balloons.	green balloons.
There are 5 red	There are 2
toys.	yellow balloons.

How many animals are in the zoo?	
There are 2	There are 3
lions in the zoo.	zebras in the
	Z00.
There are 3	There are 2
tigers in the zoo.	elephants in the
	Z00.

How many cats are left on the carpet?	
10 cats walk onto the carpet.	4 cats walk off the carpet.
5 cats walk off the carpet.	9 dogs are on the carpet.

How many goals are scored in	
the game?	
Aaliyah scores a	The match is
goal in the first	played on
half.	Tuesday.
Jacob scores two	There are 22
goals in the	players on the
second half.	pitch.

How many pencils are in the box?	
There are 4	There are 4
small pencils in	medium pencils
the box.	in the box.
There are 6	The box is in
large rubbers in	the middle of
the box.	the table.

How many girls are in the class?	
There are 30	The pupils are
pupils in the	7 years old.
class.	
The class has	Half the class
English on	are girls.
Tuesday.	

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How many points	did Red Team
get?	
Blue Team got	Red Team got
20 points.	13 points for
	being polite.
Yellow Team got	Red Team got
10 points.	16 points for
	trying hard.

How many books	did the children
read?	
Zaina read 10	Joe read 5
books.	books and then
	2 more books.
The 3 children	Paige read 9
were super	books.
readers.	

How many points did Blue Team get?	
Blue Team got 21 points.	Red Team got 3 points for being polite.
Yellow Team got II points.	Blue Team got 6 more points for effort.

are in the car
2 cars go into the car park.
The car park has 3 ways in.

How many whole class eat?	pizzas did the
There are 30 pupils in the class.	Each pupil ate 2 slices of pizza.
Each pizza has 10 slices.	The pizza was delicious!

How many people	are in the	
classroom?		
Eight children	There are fifty	
leave the	books in the	
classroom.	classroom.	
The classroom is	Seven children	
15 metres long.	leave the	
	classroom.	

How many cars are being carried inside the wagons?		
There are 9	One extra	
wagons in the	wagon arrives a	
factory.	little bit late.	
The wagons	Each wagon has	
each have 8	24 cars inside	
wheels.	it.	