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## Classroom Activities

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## Shrinking “Rivers of Ice” (Page 1)

**Instructions:** Read the article “Shrinking ‘Rivers of Ice’”.  
Answer questions 1-15.

1. In which mountain range are Mount Everest and K2?

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2. Who is David Breashears?

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3. Explain how Mr. Breashears has proved glaciers in the Himalayas have been shrinking over the past 80 years?

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4. Explain the terms ‘roof of the world’ and ‘Third Pole’.

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5. What was the aim of the British expedition to Everest in 1921?

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6. What happened to George Mallory?

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7. Who were the first people to climb Mount Everest, and in what year did they succeed?

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**Shrinking “Rivers of Ice” (Page 1) *continued***

8. Where is K2?

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9. Where is the Rongbuk Glacier?

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10. What do scientists say is one of the main reasons for the ice in the Himalayas melting so quickly?

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11. What other reasons are believed to be causing the glaciers to melt so quickly?

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12. List the major rivers in Asia fed by meltwaters from Himalayan glaciers.

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13. Explain how millions of people living in Asia could be affected if all the glaciers in the Himalayas disappear.

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14. Why might the River Indus and Brahmaputra be worst affected?

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15. What is the Asia Society?

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Fill in the boxes with the correct answers to find the mystery place.

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**Clues**

1. Edmund \_\_\_\_\_ was one of the first people to climb Mount Everest
2. Mount Everest is on the border between Nepal and this region of China
3. Large river that flows into the sea in Vietnam
4. Large river in India
5. Vittorio \_\_\_\_\_ took photographs of K2 in 1909
6. \_\_\_\_\_ dioxide is a greenhouse gas
7. Tenzing \_\_\_\_\_ was one of the first people to climb Mount Everest
8. This is a river that gets most of its water from the meltwaters of Himalayan glaciers around Mount Everest
9. Large river that flows into the sea in Myanmar