

On the Mountain-top

With aching feet and freezing hands we huddled together on the roof of the world.

As the first rays of the morning sun illuminated the sky with hues of violet and brilliant orange, we were astonished by the sheer beauty of the scene. We began to think back to all the times we had spent together – all the challenges we had faced and overcome, as a team.

I reflected back onto routine school life. It seemed so distant. But then I realised that school, after all, isn't simply about memorising abstract facts and figures. Rather, we learn how to overcome challenges, how to persevere against hardship, and how to reach for the stars and accomplish things we never thought were possible.

And indeed, it was at that moment in time, with all of us huddled on the mountain-top, that the stars seemed just an arm's reach away.

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