

Ko su alpinisti? Zašto se penju po stenama? Jel izlaganje riziku izraz njihovog besa, bunta, očaja...? Koji je razlog da se neko smrzava, bori protiv žedji i vrućine, prestrašuje sebe do smrti, samo da bi popeo neku stenu ili vrh?

Odgovore možete naći samo ako i vi penjete. Saznaćete da alpinisti nisu suicidalni već upravo suprotno. To su ljudi koji imaju izuzetnu životnu energiju i želju za životom. Shvatićete da je alpinista, penjući se po vertikalnim stenama, veći u potrazi... u potrazi za nečim novim, za Istinom, u potrazi za sobom.

Najveća alpinistička imena su dokaz da granice postoje samo u ljudskim glavama. To su ljudi koji su, penjući se po planinama, spoznali neki drugi svet, svet koji ne možete čuti i videti, svet unutar sebe. Pročitajte šta su ti ljudi rekli o alpinizmu:

WHAT DID WORLD'S LEADING CLIMBERS SAY

“The true art of climbing is survival, and the point at which that becomes most difficult is when, having mastered what till then has been considered the epitome of achievement, you try to go one stage further. To venture where no one has been before, and where hardly anyone wants to follow – or even understands what it is you are trying to do. It is there, in that unknown region, where sensations and experiences are found that are of far greater intensity than any form “well-gazed” lands.”

Reinhold Messner

“The best climber is not the one who does a crazy thing once or twice and dies the second time. The best climber is one who does many things on the highest level and survives.”

Reinhold Messner

“If we destroy “The Impossible” with bolts or technical tricks, we destroy climbing.”

Reinhold Messner

“For me, there is no difference between climbing and living.”

Reinhold Messner

“In life and in mountaineering you need good luck and you need to be swift enough to grab it.”

Riccardo Cassin

“It is not at all ethical to count on the help of others from the beginning of your climb.”

Kurt Diemberger

“Real mountaineering is... above all a reason for struggle and for self-conquest, for spiritual tempering and enjoyment in the ideal and magnificent surroundings of the mountains. The trials, the hardships, the privations with which an ascent of the peak is always studded, become, for that very reason, valid tests which the mountaineer accepts to temper his power and his character. In the atmosphere of struggle, of close relationship with the unforeseen difficulties and the thousand perils of the mountains, the alpinist is shown in his true colors, ruthlessly laid bare, both in his qualities and in his defects, to himself and others. That alone, in my opinion, should be sufficient to convince anyone that the mountains can be for the climber the source of the most beautiful and exalted sentiments and the supreme test which contributes to the perfecting of certain qualities which are the root of progress.”

Walter Bonatti

“I have always been incapable of accepting fate, and I have always refused to die, and that has helped me to survive.”

Walter Bonatti

“The mountains are the means. The man is the end. The idea is to improve the man, not to reach the top of the mountains.”

Walter Bonatti

“ One of the attractions of climbing is that we remove ourselves from the incredibly complex world with a whole series of very vague objectives and enter the very simplistic world of climbing.”

Chris Bonington

“ You haven’t really left the ground whilst you’re in the vicinity of that fixed rope. Only when you get to the end of it and take off does the climbing begin.”

Doug Scott

“Ice climbing is a path of approach to a world apart. It is a simpler, more dynamic world than the one we are used to. Death is close. Social concerns drop away as so many inconsistencies in a logical argument. The Truth of an individual’s nature begins to emerge as instinct shows its old forgotten face.”

Jeff Lowe

“I hate expeditions!”

Jeff Lowe

“I’m not a desperate man going out to do a desperate act. I am a man fulfilling a dream...”

Jeff Lowe

“To reach beyond what you are, you must ignore the rules and fashions of the day. Or perhaps better yet, cast them way out in your peripheral vision where you can still see them but only as a vague reference point. This doesn’t mean that all the rules are gone. It might mean that you adopt a far tighter code of conduct to ensure the necessary level of intensity and adventure.”

Peter Croft

“The most important thing I learned was my limits. I found out how much I could stand and still survive.”

Tomo Česen

“Divim se ljudima čiji je život mirna ravnica. Prostrana, plodna žitna polja, koja se samo katkad blago ustalasaju na vetru...Jer moj je život kao divlja reka, koja ludo navire ka iskonskoj steni golog očaja! Ali dugi dani na vrhovima prstiju uče me da živim na celom stopalu. Kad postanem pravi majstor igre po okomitim zidovima umeću i da hodam po ravnom”

Nejc Zaplotnik

“Ko traži cilj ostaće prazan kada ga dostigne, a ko traži put, nosiće cilj u sebi!”

Nejc Zaplotnik

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