

Name Class Date

Before you watch

1 Complete the text with the words in the box.

dangerous mines miners story trapped underground

People who work in gold, diamond, copper or coal
¹ are called ² They work
 deep ³ It can be a very ⁴
 job. In 2010, a group of miners got ⁵ in the
 San José mine in Chile. People around the world followed the
⁶ of what happened to them.



While you watch

2 Watch the first part of the video (up to 00:50) and answer the questions.

- 1 How much did the rock that closed the exit to the mine weigh?
- 2 What did the families of the miners call their camp?
- 3 How many metres down was the miners' refuge?

3 Watch the rest of the video (from 00:51) and complete the sentences with the numbers in the box.

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- 1 days after the accident, the rescue workers found the miners' refuge.
- 2 The miners spent days in the mine.
- 3 All miners were rescued from the mine.

4 Now watch the whole video again and circle the correct option.

- 1 *Hundreds / Thousands* of people work in the mines in the Atacama Desert in Chile.
- 2 The rescue workers gave the miners two things: a phone and a *computer / camera*.
- 3 There *was one drill / were two drills* in South America that were big enough to drill the hole.
- 4 A *million / billion* people around the world watched the rescue on TV.

After you watch

5 Imagine you are one of the Chilean miners trapped in the mine. Write five short diary entries to describe your experience.

Day 1. We don't have very much food to eat. Everybody is scared and tired.

Day 10. We miss our families very much.

Day 15. Some of the men are very unhappy. But we tell jokes and sing songs to make everybody feel better.

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