

## A Nation's Heroes

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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