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- 1 Type in www.the-backpacking-site.com and then click on 'Backpacking' and 'useful items'.

Write six items from the list that YOU would take backpacking.

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____
- f) _____

Compare your list with your partner.

- 2 Click 'back to top' and mark the questions *T* (true) or *F* (false).

- a) Backpacking is not a popular way to travel.
- b) It's a good idea to take 3 or 4 T-shirts.
- c) It's important to have one long-sleeved item.
- d) It's good to have pockets in trousers.
- e) A fleece isn't important.
- f) Take some trainers if there is room in your suitcase.
- g) Hats are very important.
- h) Try to buy good travel towels.

- 3 Now click 'back to top' again. Click on one of the categories and find six interesting facts about backpacking. Write them below.

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____
- f) _____



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TEACHER'S NOTES:

Aim: to use the Internet to explore the theme of holidays. This webquest is designed to be used in conjunction with unit 10.

Time: 40 minutes

Materials: copy of the worksheet for each student

- 1 Check that students know the word 'backpacking'. Explain it if not. Make sure that all students find their way to the correct part of the website. Students decide on six items from the list that they would take backpacking and then compare their lists. Ask for class feedback.

Possible answers (correct at time of going to press):

Camera, torch, spare batteries, personal music player, calculator, cards, alarm clock, good book, money belt, small bag, pen and notepad, bin bags

- 2 Pre-teach 'long-sleeved', 'vital', 'pocket', 'fleece' and 'essential'. Students scroll back to the top of the page and then work through the information to check whether the statements are true or false. Elicit answers from the class.

Answers (correct at time of going to press):

- a) False - it is increasingly popular.
- b) False - it's a good idea to take 2 or 3 T-shirts.
- c) True
- d) True
- e) False – it is essential
- f) True
- g) True
- h) True

- 3 Students scroll back to the top and navigate around the website to find six interesting facts. Ask students to compare with their partners and then ask for class feedback.

