

## Spelling list: Characters in Touching the Void

*Touching the Void* by Joe Simpson recounts a gripping tale of survival in the Peruvian Andes. After a disastrous climbing accident, Joe Simpson is left for dead by his partner, Simon Yates. Miraculously, Simpson manages to crawl back to base camp against all odds, defying death in a battle for survival.

Joe	As the author of the book, <b>Joe</b> Simpson's narrative voice provides a firsthand account of the perilous climb, his near-fatal accident, and the remarkable willpower that drove him to crawl back to base camp.
Simpson	Joe <b>Simpson</b> is the author of the book and one of the climbers involved in the accident.
Simon	<b>Simon</b> Yates, Joe's climbing partner, grapples with an excruciating moral dilemma when he is forced to make the heart-wrenching decision to cut the rope connecting him to the injured Joe in order to save his own life.
Yates	Simon <b>Yates</b> , Joe's climbing partner, grapples with an excruciating moral dilemma when he is forced to make the heart-wrenching decision to cut the rope connecting him to the injured Joe in order to save his own life.
Richard	<b>Richard</b> Hawking, another member of the expedition, remains at base camp and becomes part of the rescue effort when he learns of the climbers' predicament, adding an important perspective to the story.
Hawking	Richard <b>Hawking</b> , another member of the expedition, remains at base camp and becomes part of the rescue effort when he learns of the climbers' predicament, adding an important perspective to the story.