

## Are extreme sports worth the risk?

### Text Set Articles:

- “Famous snowboarder pulls out of slopestyle at Sochi Olympics” (By Los Angeles Times, adapted by Newsela staff, Feb. 10, 2014 (multiple levels available)  
<https://newsela.com/articles/slopestyle-risks/id/2702/>
- \*Safer Slopes (from Super Science Magazine, Nov/Dec. 2013)
- “Best of the X Games” <http://discoverykids.com/activities/best-of-the-x-games/>
- “Skate Safety: A Crash Course” By Sky Siljeg  
<http://teacher.scholastic.com/scholasticnews/indepth/Skateboarding/articles/index.asp?article=safety&topic=0>
- “X Games Too Extreme? New Questions After Snowmobile Accident” (By Brian Tood and Dugald McConnell, January 31, 2013)
- “Extreme Sports Growing In Popularity” (By Lola Jones, May 20, 2008)  
<http://xtremesport4u.com/extreme-land-sports/extreme-sport-growing-in-popularity/>
- “Kids and Extreme Sports” (By: Kyanna Sutton, Family Education)  
<http://life.familyeducation.com/sports/safety/29462.html>
- “Why Do People Enjoy Extreme Sports?”  
[http://www.selfgrowth.com/articles/why\\_do\\_people\\_enjoy\\_extreme\\_sports](http://www.selfgrowth.com/articles/why_do_people_enjoy_extreme_sports)
- “The World’s First Wingsuit Champion is Crowned”  
<http://www.dogonews.com/2012/10/22/the-worlds-first-wingsuit-champion-is-crowned>
- “Wingsuit Daredevil Jeb Corliss Completes Another Heart-Stopping ‘Flight’”  
<http://www.dogonews.com/2013/9/30/wingsuit-daredevil-jeb-corliss-completes-another-heartstopping-flight>
- The Toughest Sport Infographic:  
[http://www.rsvlts.com/2012/10/03/the-toughest-action-sport-infographic/who-its-the-toughest-action-sports-athlete\\_5065a4c38d0fe/](http://www.rsvlts.com/2012/10/03/the-toughest-action-sport-infographic/who-its-the-toughest-action-sports-athlete_5065a4c38d0fe/)
- “Given the risks involved, where’s the appeal in extreme sports?” (By Allan Maki and Paul Waldie, The Globe and Mail, January 20, 2012)  
<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/sports/more-sports/given-the-risks-involved-wheres-the-appeal-in-extreme-sports/article552756/>
- “With the thrills come extreme risks”  
[http://well.blogs.nytimes.com/2014/03/31/with-the-thrills-come-extreme-risks/?\\_r=0](http://well.blogs.nytimes.com/2014/03/31/with-the-thrills-come-extreme-risks/?_r=0)
- “Are Extreme Sports Worth the Risk?” (Storyworks Magazine November/December 2014).

### Books:

- Extreme Sports by Bobbie Kalman
- any of the other extreme sports books by Bobbie Kalman such as Extreme Skydiving
- Lives of the Athletes: Thrills, Spills (And What the Neighbors Thought) by Kathleen Krull and Kathryn Hewitt
- Skateboarding by Clive Gifford
- Defying Gravity! Rock Climbing by Christine Dugan
- Extraordinary Women Athletes by Judy L. Hasday

- Tony Hawk: Professional Skateboarder by Tony Hawk
- To the Extreme by DK Readers

**Multimedia:**

- “Extreme Sports”

<http://learnenglishteens.britishcouncil.org/uk-now/video-uk/extreme-sports> (0–2:24)

- “Base Jumper On Extreme Sports Risks and Rewards” (Video clip from CBS This Morning) Base jumper and extreme skier, JT Holmes, discusses the risks and benefits of his career. <http://www.cbsnews.com/news/are-extreme-sports-too-dangerous/>

- “Sarah Burke’s Death: Extreme Sports Dangers” (January 1, 2012)

<http://abcnews.go.com/WNT/video/sarah-burkes-death-extreme-sports-dangers-15407972>