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5 sports that defy common sense include falling out of planes and sliding down mountains. These are sports that defy logic and make you wonder why any sane person would want to do these almost crazy sports. Some of these sports require more money than others, but they will all cause your heart beat to speed up. Sometimes as spectators we say, " Yeah, i could do that too " while we continue to watch. So this is in recognition of all the brave, or maybe senseless people who participate in these 5 sports that defy common sense.

Skydiving is the first on my list of sports that defy logic. Why jump out of an airplane that is flying along perfectly? Mankind has spent centuries trying to make a flying machine. People have jumped off cliffs with some kind of wings attached to their arms, built hot air balloons, and even made powerless gliders. After many years men finally perfect the motorized flying machine. They finally invent a machine that flies, and then they jump out of it. This is know as skydiving and the people who do it say it is awesome, especially during free fall. There are many places you can go to jump out of an airplane strapped to an experienced jumper. This is an easy way to experience skydiving without learning much. You will reach speeds in excess of 100 MPH during your free fall. There are ways to increase the velocity of your fall but your parachute might not open right at higher speeds. Opening your chute at too high of an altitude can also be disastrous. If you choose this sport to defy your common sense, make sure you go through a proper training course and pay attention while you are there.

Sky Surfing is another sport that defies common sense. Instead of surfing the waves, you surf air currents instead. Instead of a board the size of a surf board, you use a smaller version the size of a snowboard. An experienced sky surfer can ride air currents for miles, do many different kinds of stunts, and then parachute to safety. It takes special caution in opening a chute for the sky surfer because if the speed is too high, the parachute will not deploy properly. This sport also defies common sense. Most people would not even think of giving this a try. If you are one of the few people who think this would be an enjoyable way to spend the afternoon, make sure you get proper training and the special gear that goes with it. Combining wave surfing with skydiving can be a thrill of a lifetime.

Mountain skiing is another sport that is illogical. Strapping slick skis to your feet and rushing down a mountain at breathtaking speeds sounds just a little crazy to me. People who do this not only slide down the mountain, they also jump long distances and perform other stunts. There are many injuries every year due to falls and running into trees yet people still volunteer to slide down these mountains. This sport is popular in many countries proving that insanity is world wide. There are millions of dollars a year spent by consumers for special clothing and ski gear just for a chance to slide down a mountain. All I can say about this is. it must be worth it.

Mountain climbing. While some people are sliding down mountains, others are risking their lives climbing them. This also takes special gear and a lot of bravery. There has been many fatalities from falls and people stranded in blizzards on the mountain. Many have to be rescued each year by helicopters. This puts even more people at risk including rescuers and the pilot of the helicopter. Even after the climb is successfully completed, you still have to come back down. This can be just as dangerous as climbing up the mountain. After all this is completed, you get nothing from it except saying, "I climbed that mountain."

The last of these 5 sports that defy common sense could be the craziest of all. Standing on a tall bridge with an elastic cord tied to your ankle and jumping off is very thrilling and can also be quite dangerous. After you jump the cord stretches out and recoils you back up. There have been fatalities from cords breaking and also from using too long of a cord. It is also possible to jump from a crane, hot air balloon, and even a helicopter. Once you have tried this insane sport, you will probably go back again and again. The rush of the fall can only be compared to jumping out of an airplane. Then after the cord stretches completely out, the recoil shoots you back up which is a very unique experience. Out of all these 5 sports, this one probably requires the least amount of money. Happy jumping everyone.

So if you are bored with shooting hoops or swinging a bat at a ball, you may consider trying one or all of the sports listed here. Make sure you bring your bravery along with you and perhaps you can talk some of your friends to come along and try these sports with you. If not, maybe they can at least get pictures or video of you doing the craziest sports of all. I'm sure once you try these sports, you will go back over and over again. Good luck and have fun.

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