

Unit 2 – EASY Reading

AMERICA'S MOST DANGEROUS JOBS

Police officers and firefighters have dangerous jobs. We see them on TV or in films. But, in fact, they aren't the most dangerous jobs in America today.

The most dangerous job in the USA is a timber cutter. They have to work high in the air with dangerous machines and big trees. Sometimes these trees fall on the workers.



Another dangerous job is that of a fisherman, especially¹ in Alaska. In winter, the fishermen there catch crabs and have to work hundreds of kilometres from land, in storms, ice and snow.

But there are other dangerous jobs too ...

Steel workers build skyscrapers and they must work very high in the air. Pilots also have a dangerous job. Every year around 70 American pilots die. One of the most dangerous jobs for a pilot is a crop sprayer. They must fly fast and very low. The other most dangerous jobs in America are on the roads. In New York, cycle



couriers deliver thousands of letters every day to offices in the city. They have to work fast. A lot of them die or have bad accidents. But the most dangerous job on the roads is a truck driver. Every year many truck drivers die in an accident. The worst thing is when drivers work too long. Then they fall asleep on the road.

Read the text and match the sentence halves.

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