Worksheet: Dangerous Professions

Grade: 10
Topic: Mountain Rescue Workers

Read the text:
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Up in the mountains, the view is beautiful.
But not for emergency doctor Martin Schmidt, paramedic Marius Adler and helicopter pilot Klaus Hartmann.
Their job is to find and rescue people
Mountain rescue worker, Austria
in trouble: climbers
caught in an avalanche, injured skiers, even lost walkers. Reporter Lucy Rose met the team and asked them about their work.
Adler says they love their jobs, but they sometimes get angry with the people they rescue.
'Climbers always risk their lives, but when they get into trouble they also risk ours.
What exactly are the dangers? Hartmann says that, although the sun is shining today, they usually fly in much worse weather conditions, which can be very dangerous. Another problem is that, often, the people they rescue are frightened. They panic, and this makes it difficult for the team.
And what are the best things about the job?
Hartmann says, 'Saving lives is its own reward?
And occasionally they get a surprise. 'One time we rescued a woman after a skiing accident. She was badly hurt. Later her husband brought us a huge box of chocolates. The people they rescue, Schmidt explains, hardly ever say thank you!

1: Open-ended Question

1. Why do mountain rescue workers sometimes get angry with the people they rescue? Provide examples from the text to support your answer.

2: Short Answer

2. What are the main dangers faced by mountain rescue workers according to Klaus Hartmann?
3. How do the rescued people usually react, according to Martin Schmidt?

3: Drag and Drop

Complete the sentences by dragging the correct words into the blanks:
– Mountain rescue workers often fly in bad_____
– Climbers who get into trouble also risk the_ of the_____ rescue team.
– The team rescued a woman after a skiing _____

Words to drag: weather, lives, accident

4: Matching

Match the person to their statement:
– Martin Schmidt
– Marius Adler
– Klaus Hartmann

a) "Saving lives is its own reward."
b) "The people we rescue hardly ever say thank you!"
c) "Climbers always risk their lives, but when they get into trouble they also risk ours."

5: Choose the Correct Word/Phrase

Select the correct word to complete the sentence:
– The rescue team works in the (mountains/desert).
– The weather conditions are often (sunny/dangerous).
– Rescued people sometimes (panic/celebrate).

6: Multiple Choice (Single Correct Answer)

What is the main reward for mountain rescue workers, according to Klaus Hartmann?
a) Money

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b) Saving lives
c) Gifts from rescued people

7: Multiple Choice (Multiple Correct Answers)

Which of the following are challenges faced by mountain rescue workers? (Choose all that apply)
a) Bad weather conditions
b) Panicked rescued people
c) Lack of equipment
d) No appreciation from rescued people

8: Reflection

Would you consider a career in mountain rescue? Why or why not? Write 3-4 sentences explaining your answer.

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