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Advice from the Field: Use Hand Signals

Skydivers have to respect each other. They avoid being on top of other skydivers. They don't want to fall into someone else's parachute. They give a wave-off signal before opening their parachutes. They make sure everyone is away from them.

Skydivers have other hand signals. Some students get nervous when they're free-falling. Skydiving instructors pat the top of their students' heads. This means to stay calm. Daniel Pharr survived a very scary skydive. His instructor had a heart attack. They were in the air. Daniel said, "Assess the situation and keep a calm head about you, because it doesn't do any good to panic."

sound barrier. This is where a speeding object passes the speed of sound. It took him 15 minutes to land. He set a record for the highest free fall jump. He also set a record for total free fall distance.



Balloons, planes, rocket ships—what will skydivers jump out of next?

Can you believe skydivers want to jump from space?
There are no limits for skydivers.