

Three risk management strategies that I used at the rock climbing place where people, equipment failure and weather.

One of the risk management strategies I chose and applied was behaviour of people at the rock climbing site. You had to not muck around and be looking all the time or you might get hit by falling rocks or not pay attention to things like doing up your partner's harness. The strategy was listening to instructions and always paying attention to what is going on around you.

The effect of this strategy on my safety was that when I was belaying and walking around the area, I made sure that I knew what was going on around me and what I needed to look out for. For example, when xxxx was climbing there were heaps of rocks falling from under her feet so she called out 'falling rocks' and we knew not to look up and to face our heads downwards, this is so we didn't get hit in the head by falling rocks.

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The second risk management strategy I chose, and applied was checking equipment. I chose this because I wanted to know the equipment might fail and how to fix it if it did, this was an appropriate strategy for the day because if for example my harness was fraying I would need to know that it was a hazard and that I would need to tell the teacher about it. I made sure I checked all the equipment before I used it so that it would not break if I was using it.

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The effect of this strategy on my safety was so I would not fall or injure myself because of incorrectly worn or old worn out equipment. An example of this was when I was abseiling my harness could be fraying and it could break and I could slip and fall to the ground.

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The third risk management strategy that I chose was the weather. I chose the weather because when we go climbing or not depends upon the weather. This was an appropriate strategy to use for the day because if it was raining there could be injuries from people slipping on the rocks and grazing their knees or scrapping their fingers on the rocks. The effect of this strategy on my safety was good because it turned out to be an amazing sunny day because I checked the weather forecast prior to the event which meant there was no slips due to the wet ground or rocks. For example when I climbed one of the really high rocks, the rock face was really steep and I didn't slip because it was dry and I had full grip and control.

I applied these particular strategies because I could then know all the main hazards of rock climbing so I could sort them out at the time and be aware of them. These were the most appropriate strategies for the rock climb day because I was able to climb correctly and cautiously with no worries on what to do. The effect of these strategies was to ensure the full safety of the climbers and make sure everyone was aware on what to do when a situation occurred.