



Pushing the Limits of Survival Featured Video and Discussion Questions

This theme explores the fundamental urge to survive and how it has manifested in society in the past and today. Issues to consider in group discussions include the ways in which we strive for the survival of the planet, of our families, and as individuals.

Julie and Cory

In this mini-feature video, you'll come to know and cheer for a young couple pushing their personal limits of Survival. They work endless hours to keep the family farm from fading into history while competing for water in an increasingly dry region. In their limited off time they also work side-by side, competing in the annual Combine Derby Demolition - a fun, crazy, and combative competition to where the winner is driving the last standing piece of giant farm equipment.

- What do you think of Cory and Julie?
- Does the “fix it” mentality resonate with anyone? Are you the type who engineers with your own equipment and technology?
- Are there any aspects of our own lives and communities in which we may need to push the limits to survive? What information or tools do we use to do that?
- Are other kinds of professions engaged in a battle for survival?
- Does anyone here engage in a form of recreation that has a survival aspect to it? Does that depend on technology or some kind of special knowledge, or is it pure athletic skill and luck?
- What drives us to compete in a sport and survive as the winner?

