

Let's check out Chikyu!



Standby OK!!



A 26-inch Drill bit

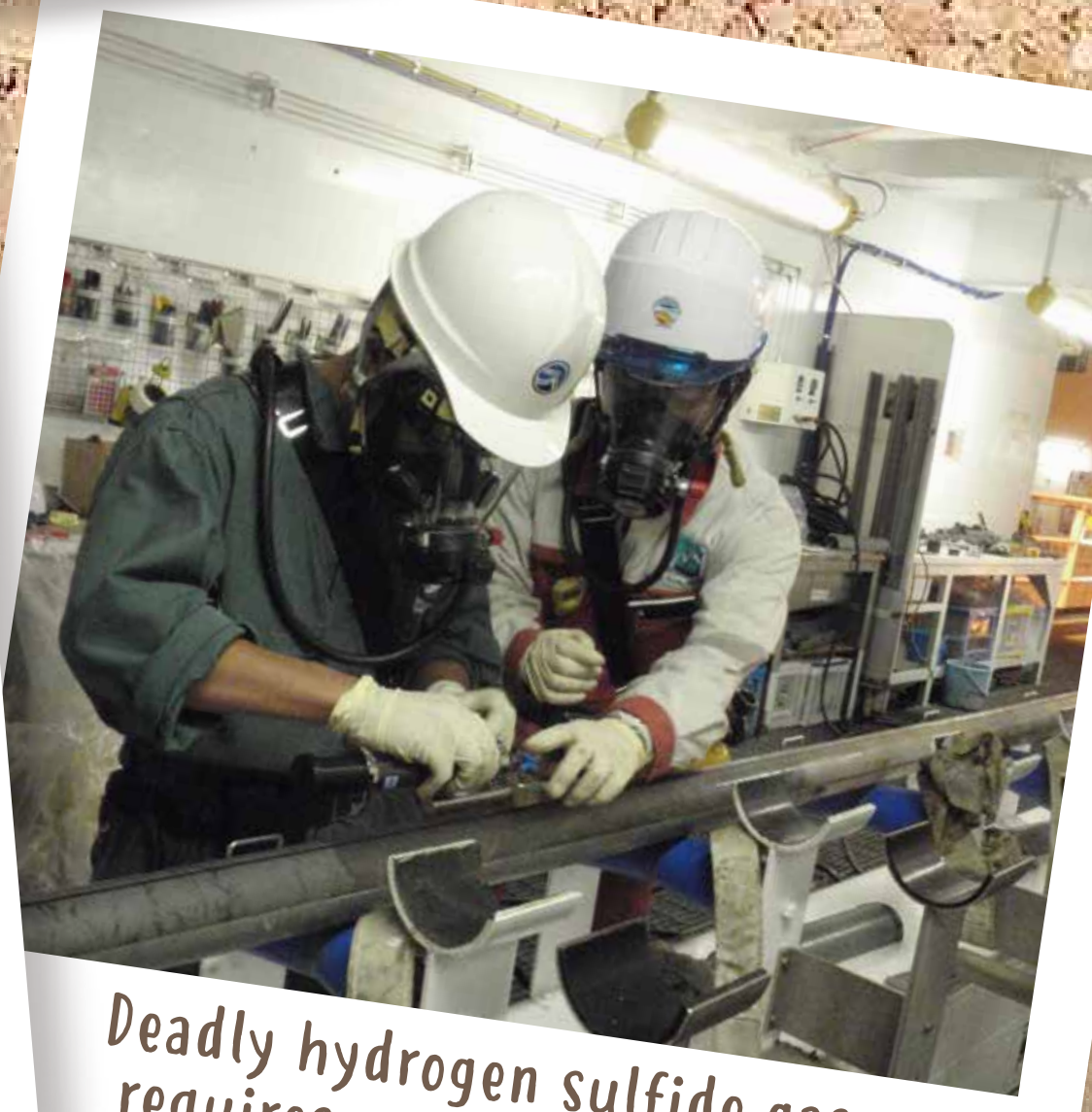
Their legs are shaking, but their faces are smiling!



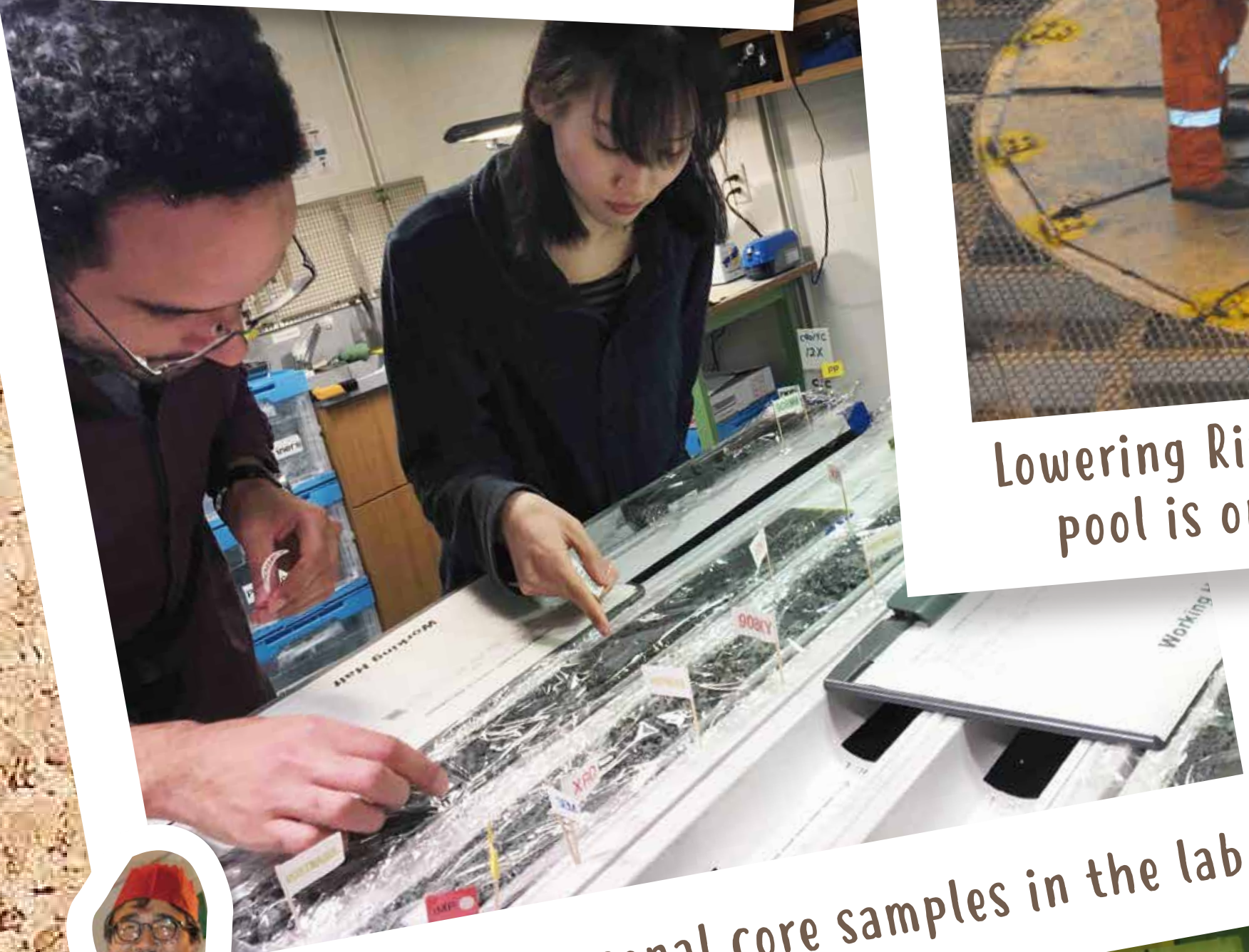
At the top of Derrick!



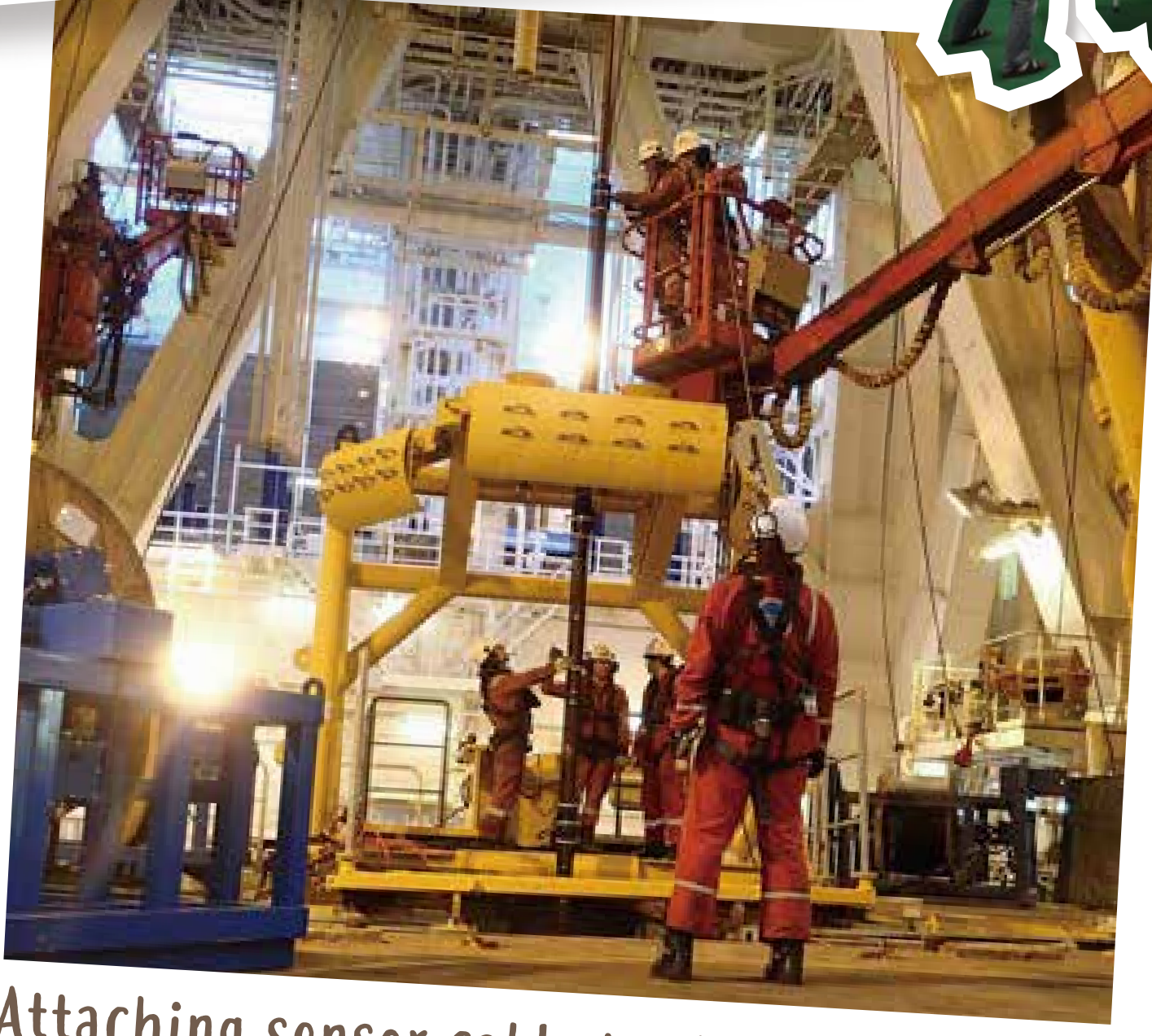
Lowering Riser pipe into the moon pool... Because the moon pool is open to the sea, worker need safety harnesses



Deadly hydrogen sulfide gas requires protective masks!



Flagging personal core samples in the lab



Attaching sensor cable to the sub sea floor observatory installation.



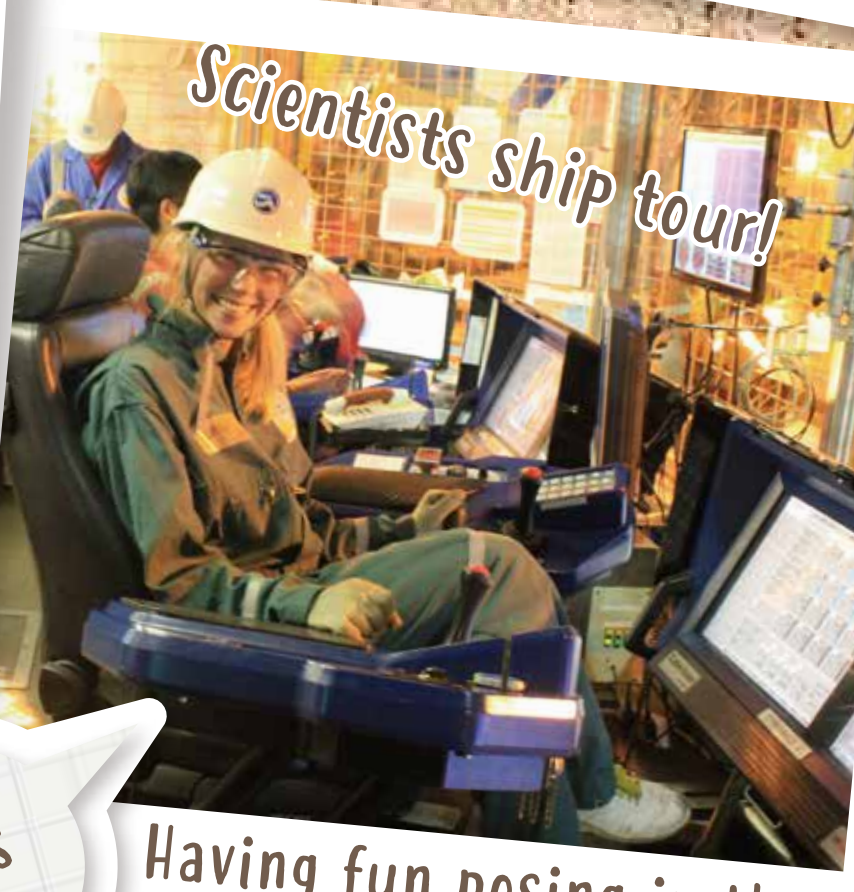
Working hard on assembling a high precision thermometer!



Calligraphy! Not just pretty art, but learning a new language!



Snack time in the crews' break room before work.



Scientists ship tour!

in the Driller's House

Having fun posing in the cyber chair.



Half-split core samples. Half for observation and preservation, the other for sample analysis and cutting and grinding.

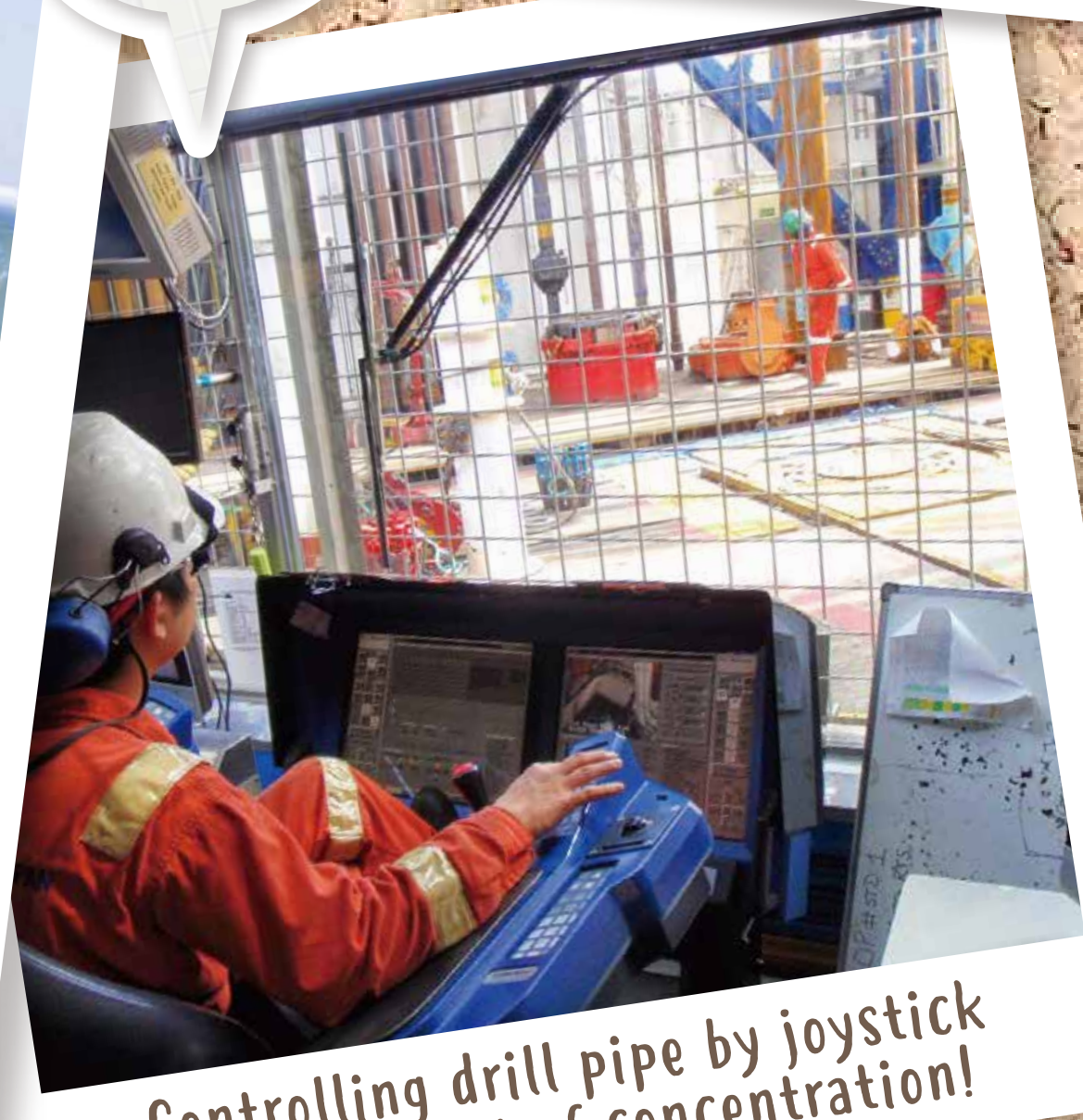


Offshore survival training

Everyone on board Chikyu has this training!



Boarding Chikyu by helicopter, very exciting!



Controlling drill pipe by joystick requires a lot of concentration!