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Day Two

The DiMartino Sisters

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words



→ Read these phrases and words **out loud** to your partner.

- but her real value to the team is creating plays that allow her teammates to score
- anticipating what the defense will do
- Christina has a lot of experience getting along with other players
- oldest sister Christina was the Pacific Conference player of the year
- He stood in goal for nightly family pickup games
- The sisters' creative style developed at home

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Decoding practice:

Circle the base words in the longer words below. Remember, a base word shows the core meaning of a longer word. The base word includes no word endings or prefixes. The first one has been done for you.

skilled

player

impressive

gutsy

nightly



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// one minute

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Part 2: Last read

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Christina DiMartino is a skilled playmaker for professional women’s soccer. She can score when she needs to, but her real value to the team is creating plays that allow her teammates to score. She reads the field, anticipating what the defense will do. At crucial moments, she makes impressive passes. Having great teammates helps, she says. “Anything I ask from them, they can do.” Christina has a lot of experience getting along with other players. Team play began in her own backyard, with her three sisters: Gina, Vicki, and Rosie.

The four DiMartino sisters are all gutsy soccer players. While playing college soccer for UCLA, oldest sister Christina was the Pacific Conference player of the year. Second sister Gina helped the U.S. youth team win the FIFA World Cup in Chile. Just like Gina, third sister Vicki played soccer for Boston College and started for the U.S. youth team. And Rosie, the youngest, was called a “rising star” when she was still in high school.

Over the years, the DiMartino sisters honed their skills by taking shots on their dad, a New York firefighter. He stood in goal for nightly family pickup games. The sisters’ creative style developed at home, away from coaches and structured practices. Today, the DiMartinos still play two-on-two when the family gets together. “No one holds back,” Vicki says. “It gets pretty rough and physical. But I can’t complain. It makes us all stronger and more determined to win.”

Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

Rosie DiMartino is the youngest of four sisters who are all soccer stars. Do you think it is hard for Rosie? Why or why not?

Talk to your partner. Does your partner think it is hard to be the youngest in a family of stars?
