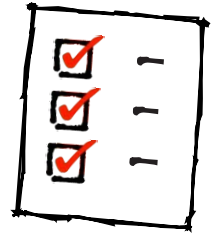


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Day Two

Pat Tillman

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words



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

- He was voted the Pac-10 Defensive Player of the Year
- the Arizona Cardinals drafted him
- he wanted to serve his country
- The military said the enemy had killed Pat
- by another patrol of American soldiers
- with gunfire from different sides

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Decoding practice:

Label the vowels in these longer words. Write a V above each vowel. Then write the number of syllables in that word. Then try clapping the syllables. The first one is done for you.

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Cardinals ____

Afghanistan ____

military ____

American ____

veterans ____



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Part 2: Last read

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Pat Tillman was born in San Jose, California. He played football starting in high school. He was a star linebacker at Arizona State. He was voted the Pac-10 Defensive Player of the Year. When Pat graduated, the Arizona Cardinals drafted him. He had a great career in the NFL. In 2000, he made an amazing 120 solo tackles. But after September 11, Pat no longer wanted to play football. Instead, he wanted to serve his country. He joined the Army Rangers.

Pat was sent to Afghanistan. In 2004, he was shot dead while on patrol. The military said the enemy had killed Pat. They said Pat was a hero.

But Pat’s family asked more questions. They learned that the Army had lied to them. Pat was not killed by enemy fire. He was killed by another patrol of American soldiers. When the soldiers started shooting, Pat shouted out his name. It was dark, with gunfire from different sides. Pat was shot and killed. Pat's family and friends were furious. Pat's friend said, “He was the most famous soldier and he was killed by the military.”

Pat’s family and friends started the Pat Tillman Foundation. This group helps veterans and servicemen and women in many ways.

Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

Why do you think the Army lied to Pat’s family?

Share your answer with your partner. Write down your partner’s ideas about why the Army lied to Pat’s family.
