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Day Two

Camp to Belong

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words

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

- Shakeema had not seen her sisters in five months
- brothers and sisters separated in foster care
- never had a chance to bond
- Seventy percent of foster children
- that will last a lifetime

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Shakeema | shah KEE mah |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | separated | SEP uh ray tid |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | siblings | SIB lingz |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | shoulders | SHOHL durz |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | schedules | SKED joolz |



Decoding practice:

- Underline the vowel + consonant + e pattern in these words
- Write a long vowel sign $\bar{\quad}$ above the middle vowel
- Put a slash / through the final e

Then read the word to your partner. Make the first vowel long (it says its name). Make the final e silent. The first one has been done for you.

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grope

drape

grave

prime

jibe



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Part 2: Last read

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Shakeema stands next to the camp climbing wall, her smile bright under her helmet. Shakeema’s two sisters watch her grope the wall, find two holds, and start climbing. For these girls, camp is special. Before camp, Shakeema had not seen her sisters in five months. 45

These girls are campers at Camp to Belong. *The New York Times* told their story in an article about this special camp. Camp to Belong brings together brothers and sisters separated in foster care. 62
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Lynn, the camp’s founder, was a foster child who was separated from her sister. The two girls never had a chance to bond or spend time together. “My sister and I had no memories of when we were little,” said Lynn. At Camp to Belong, siblings drape towels around their shoulders and run down to the beach hand in hand. They play games and relax. They get to know each other. 95
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Seventy percent of foster children have siblings. Many times, siblings are placed in separate families. Experts say that sibling bonds are important. Many foster children have faced grave problems and tough times. Siblings are a prime source of comfort. Foster families try to let siblings visit each other. But the schedules of the families don’t always jibe, and visits don’t always happen. 163
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Shakeema has climbed halfway up the wall. She drops back, and a rope lowers her to the ground. Her sister lifts her into the air, and both girls smile. At camp, the sisters can make memories that will last a lifetime. 229
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Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

Besides summer camps, how could brothers and sisters in different foster families get together? Be creative!

Share your answer with your partner. What creative idea can your partner add?
