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## Day One

# September 11

### Part 1: Silent read

➔ What happened on September 11, 2001? Read silently.

The World Trade Center in New York City had two towers. Both were 110 stories high. About 20,000 people worked in each tower.

On the morning of September 11, 2001, people were getting to work. Some people were at their desks checking emails, while others were drinking coffee. Kim White was on the 80th floor. All of a sudden, the building started to shake. Kim watched what was happening on the TV in her office. A plane had crashed into the building. People started screaming. Then the power went out and there was darkness everywhere. Elevators did not work. People started running down the stairs.

Then a second plane hit the other tower. People were crying and screaming. They did not know if their friends and co-workers were alive.

Both towers collapsed. Many people were trapped inside. The police and firefighters worked for hours to help people. About 3,000 people died that day. Many of the dead were firefighters.

That same morning, a third plane hit the Pentagon. Then a fourth plane crashed in Pennsylvania.

No one knew why the United States had been attacked. President Bush spoke to the nation that night. He said that there had been "an apparent terrorist attack." Later, the world learned that the attack came from Al Qaeda.

Source: "Hell on Earth," *People*, September 24, 2001.



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// one minute

## Part 2: First timed read

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66  
82  
94  
105

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119  
130

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142  
157  
160

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175  
176

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191  
205  
215

## Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

What happened on September 11, 2001?

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Why did people run down stairs after the 9/11 attack?

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### Part 4: Phrase-cued reading

- Read the passage **out loud** in phrases to your partner.
- Pause at each / mark for a phrase.
- Also pause at each // mark that shows the end of a sentence.

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I read the passage in phrases out loud to my partner.