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## Day Two Ticket to a New Life

## Part 1: Tricky phrases and words



Read these phrases and words <b>out loud</b> to your partner.		
	to study to become a nurse	
	for the way people pushed past her	
	her student visa would expire	
	She found work in the children's ward	
	Angela was unwilling to leave the U.S.	
	visa	VEE   zuh
	expire	ik   SPEYER
	applied	uh   <b>PLEYED</b>
	celebrate	SEL   uh   brayt
	qualifies	KWAL   ih   feyez
	permanent	PUR   muh   nunt



## **Decoding practice:**

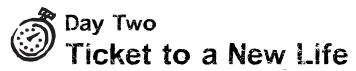
Circle the base word in the longer words below. The base is a word part that shows the core meaning. Then <u>underline</u> the prefix that means "not." The first one is done for you.

<u>d i s</u>(l i k e)d

unprepared

unwilling

noncitizen



Part 2: Last read WPM \_\_\_\_ Angela first came to the U.S. from Jamaica to study to become a nurse. At first, everything felt hard. Angela disliked her cold Chicago apartment. She was unprepared for the way people pushed past her on the sidewalk. Soon, though, she met other nursing students and made friends. They sat together in classes. They 54 shared textbooks and ate pizza together while they studied. 63 77 When Angela finished school, her student visa would expire. She applied for a work visa. As a nurse, her skills were in demand. Her work visa was approved, and she was 94 allowed to stay in the U.S. for six more years. She and her nursing school friends 110 went out dancing to celebrate. She found work in the children's ward at a Chicago 125 hospital. 126 At the end of six years, Angela was unwilling to leave the U.S. "My job is here and 144 my friends are here," she told her mother over the phone. To stay in Chicago, Angela 160 needed a green card. 164 A green card allows you to live in the U.S. for as long as you wish. As a noncitizen, 183 you can't vote, but you can work and drive a car legally. After five years, you can 200 become a citizen 203 Not everyone qualifies for a green card. If you have special skills, an employer can 218 sponsor you. If a family member is a citizen, they can sponsor you, too. For people 234 like Angela, a green card is the ticket to a permanent home in America. 248 Part 3: Comprehension and discussion Nurses are one kind of skilled worker that can get work visas for the U.S. Can you think of any other jobs like this, where more skilled workers are always needed? Talk with your partner. Together, think of three jobs in high demand.