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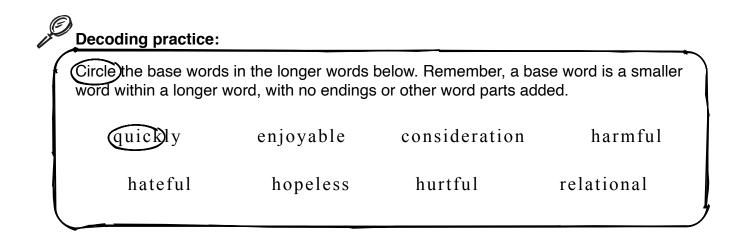
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Part 1: Tricky phrases and words

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

- Please do not try to talk to me in the future
- suffer at the hands of their best friends
- Experts use the term "relational aggression"
- hurt their own friends through harmful words
- Both the students who are victims of this kind of aggression

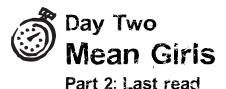
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"I want you to read this later," Shayla said as she quickly handed Kendra an envelope. Kendra took the note and put it in her backpack, planning to read it on the way home. "Maybe she bought me an early birthday card," Kendra thought. After school, she opened the envelope slowly, expecting an enjoyable surprise.

"Dear Kendra," she read. "After careful consideration, I have decided that I can no
longer continue to be your friend. Everyone says you are too geeky and you know
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you never fit in with us. Please do not try to talk to me in the future." Kendra felt
sick and crumpled the hateful note up.

The next morning, Kendra woke up feeling hopeless and defeated. Instead of getting123ready for school, she simply lay in bed until her mother came in. To her mother's139surprise, Kendra burst out crying. She screamed, "I hate my friends, I hate my life, and155I am never going to school again!"162

Many girls have had hurtful things said or done to them at school. Some, like		
Kendra, suffer at the hands of their best friends. Experts use the term "relational		
aggression" to describe how students, most often girls, hurt their own friends through	204	
harmful words and behavior. Both the students who are victims of this kind of	218	
aggression and the students who are aggressors may end up depressed or anxious.	231	

Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

Have you seen girls exclude their friends?

Share your experience with your partner. Have you both seen the same things?

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