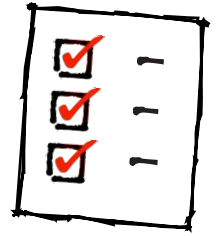


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## Day Two

# Fire!

### Part 1: Tricky phrases and words

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

- The fire caused over \$1 million in damages
  - fires kill an average of 4,000 Americans
  - investigators try to ferret out the cause
  - and poorly placed space heaters
  - Fire experts offer this advice
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- Reymond                      **RAY** | mund
  - cigarettes                      **SIG** | uh | rets
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  - electrical                      eh | **LEK** | trih | kul
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### Decoding practice:

We break words into syllables between double consonants in the middle of words.

- Underline the double consonants
- Draw a line between the double consonants
- Put a short vowel sign <sup>˘</sup> over the first vowel
- Say the word with your partner

The first one is done for you.

<sup>˘</sup>common

collapse

ferret

tunnel

squirrel

raccoon



# Day Two Fire!

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## Part 2: Last read

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Reymond lost his home on the fourth of July. *The Boston Globe* reported on the day's events. "I was sitting inside with my son watching TV," Reymond told the *Globe*, "and then we saw the smoke." Reymond's Hyde Park home was on fire. He and his son fled. 48

Outside, they stood on the street with their frightened neighbors and watched the building 62

burn. They saw the porch collapse. The front door, once white, turned black. The fire 77

caused over \$1 million in damages. 84

Each year, fires kill an average of 4,000 Americans. After each fire, investigators try to 99

ferret out the cause. There are several common causes. Kitchen stoves can start house 113

fires. So can bad wiring and poorly placed space heaters. Other causes include cigarettes 127

and burning candles. 130

People should keep a close eye on hot stoves. They should leave plenty of space around 146

heaters and toasters. They should keep electrical wiring in top shape. Homeowners 158

should also check for pests. Squirrels and raccoons can tunnel into heating vents. Then 172

their nests can catch fire. 177

Fire experts offer this advice to help survive a fire. Have a family exit plan! When your 194

house is burning, there is no time to even grab wallets or purses. You should leave right 211

away. Crawl, if necessary, to avoid deadly smoke. You are more likely to die from 226

inhaling smoke than from burns. Understanding fire safety can mean the difference 238

between life and death. 242

## Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

Have you ever known anyone affected by a house fire? What did you hear about that?

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What has your partner heard about house fires?

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