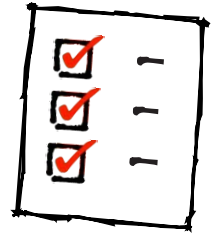


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Day Two

Culien Jones Makes a Splash

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words



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

- Jones means that many African Americans and Hispanic Americans
- African American and Hispanic American kids tend not to know
- and he teaches parents about water safety
- Many of them have seen him on television
- Jones hopes he can encourage people to get in the water
- will decide to put on some trunks

- access **AK** | sess
- victims **VIK** | timz
- freestyle **FREE** | steyel
- encourage en | **KUR** | ij



Decoding practice:

Circle the base word in the adjectives below. Underline the suffix—the suffix comes after the base word. The first one is done for you.

African

risky

Hispanic

skillful

nervous

national



Day Two

// one minute

Cullen Jones Makes a Splash

Part 2: Last read

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“In the U.S.,” says Cullen Jones, “Black people don’t swim.” Of course, this isn’t true. Jones himself is African American. He is also one of the best swimmers in the world. Jones means that many African Americans and Hispanic Americans don’t have access to pools or lakes. Many never learn how to swim. 53

This is risky. Nine Americans drown each day. One-quarter of these drowning victims are kids. African American and Hispanic American kids tend not to know how to swim. So they are more likely to drown than White kids. 66 81 92

Cullen Jones wants to fix this. He works for a water safety program called Make a Splash. He teaches kids to be skillful swimmers, and he teaches parents about water safety. He wants all kinds of people to stop feeling nervous about getting in the water. 109 124 138

Kids love learning from Cullen Jones. Many of them have seen him on television. Jones is a national champion. He swam in two different Olympics and won a gold medal for the 4 x 100 freestyle relay. (“Freestyle” means the athletes choose how to swim.) Jones was also the first African American to hold a world record in swimming. 153 170 185 197

Jones hopes he can encourage people to get in the water. He said, “I’m hoping that a lot of people will decide to put on some trunks and learn how to swim.” 214 229

Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

What is the best way to help kids learn to swim? Try to come up with two ideas:

1. _____

2. _____

Check in with your partner. What ideas did your partner have?

1. _____

2. _____