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Day Two

Fires at Home

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words



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

- More than 3,500 Americans die in fires
 - the place where people feel the safest
 - Older electrical appliances can cause fires
 - that swept through the whole house
 - The U.S. Fire Administration recommends several steps
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- hazards **HA** | zerdz
 - appliances uh | **PLY** | en | sez
 - circuits **SUR** | kits
 - neighbor **NAY** | bur
 - Administration ad | min | ih | **STRAY** | shun
 - recommends rek | uh | **MENDZ**



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 [˘] over the first vowel
- Say the word with your partner

The first one is done for you.

sitting occur plugging matter planning



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Part 2: Last read

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More than 3,500 Americans die in fires every year. Many of these fires occur at home, the place where people feel the safest. What are the fire hazards in our homes? Older electrical appliances can cause fires if their cords become frayed. If power cords are overloaded, short circuits can cause fires. Appliances like curling irons and space heaters can overheat and catch fire. Fires can also start on the stove or with matches.

One afternoon, a man was at home with his child and was also sitting for three other children. But he fell asleep while he was cooking, and the oven started a fire that swept through the whole house. One neighbor told Boston.com, "I called 911 in a panic." Another neighbor banged on the door to wake up the occupants of the house. Firefighters told WJRT-TV that they got to the scene late because a nearby fire station had been closed due to budget cuts. The father survived, but all four children were killed.

The U.S. Fire Administration recommends several steps for preventing fires. They say that surviving a fire is not a matter of luck. It can be a matter of planning ahead. They recommend having working smoke alarms, being careful to shut off appliances, and only plugging appliances into outlets when they are being used. Families can also buy cheap home safety sprinklers to use in case of emergency.

Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

Did you learn something new from this article? What will you do differently to be safe from fires?

What does your partner think?
