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## Day Two

# Green Cards at Last

### Part 1: Tricky phrases and words

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

- allow immigrants to stay in the U.S. forever
- people who are critical of noncitizens
- because he wanted to help other immigrants
- He hoped they would decide to “not give up”
- His parents would be protected

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### Decoding practice:

Circle the base word in the longer words below. The base is a word part that shows the core meaning. Then underline the prefix that means “not.” The first one is done for you.

unusually

disbelief

noncitizens

uneasy

unsettled



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Part 2: Last read

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“My parents could be taken away.” Alex Carillo says he grew up with this fear. He is an American teenager living in Arizona. Green cards allow immigrants to stay in the U.S. forever. Some people don’t have to wait too long for their green cards. Alex’s parents had to wait an unusually long time.

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One day Alex was home with his parents. His parents’ green cards finally arrived in the mail. His parents were so happy. They laughed and cried with joy and disbelief. They hugged and danced in the kitchen. Alex took a video of his parents and posted it online, along with a message. He especially wanted people who are critical of noncitizens to pay attention.

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Alex needed people to know that it can be hard to get green cards. It took his parents 25 years and thousands of dollars. Alex felt blessed that his parents’ dreams finally came true. He posted the video because he wanted to help other immigrants. He wanted them to feel less uneasy. He hoped they would decide to “not give up.” People liked and shared Alex’s video. In fact, in about three days it got more than 7 million views!

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Alex grew up feeling unsettled. He worried that at any moment he could lose his parents. With their green cards, Alex’s parents finally had rights. His parents would be protected under local, state, and federal laws.

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228  
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### Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

It took Alex’s parents 25 years and thousands of dollars to get green cards. Do you think it’s fair that people have to do so much to be allowed to stay in the U.S.? Why?

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Share ideas with your partner.

We agree about this

We disagree about this