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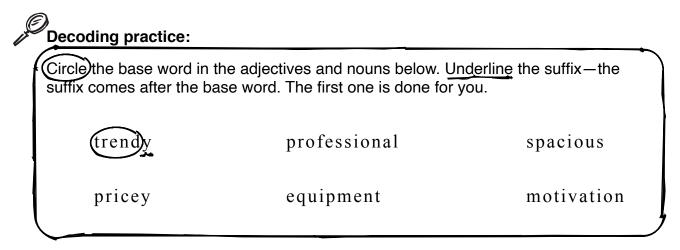
Day Two Street Skating

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words

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

- It was created using everyday objects found in plazas
- They complain about skaters clattering down railings
- They worry skaters will hurt themselves or others
- Street skaters use a specialized vocabulary
- A slide is when the skater uses the flat part of the board
- They need motivation and plenty of practice

complain	kum PLANE
clattering	KLAT er ing
vocabulary	vo KAB you lare ee
ledges	LED jez
railing	RALE ing
control	kun TROLL
motivation	moh tih VAY shun



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Street skateboarding, or street skating, is a trendy city sport. It was created using everyday objects found in plazas and parks.

Street skaters use curbs, stairs, benches, picnic tables, and empty swimming pools.	
Not everyone likes this. Sometimes, people complain about skaters speeding along	44
sidewalks. They complain about skaters clattering down railings and stairs. They	55
worry skaters will hurt themselves or others. They object to the noise. Because of	69
this, some cities began building skate parks.	76
Street skaters use a specialized vocabulary. An ollie is a jump. A skater can ollie off	92
ledges and over benches. A kickflip is when the skater jumps, flips the board, and	107
lands on the board again. A heelflip is similar, but the board spins the other way. A	124
slide is when the skater uses the flat part of the board to slide along a railing or	142
curb. A grind is like a slide, except the skater uses the metal "trucks" that hold the	159
wheels to slide along.	163
Professional street skater Jerome Rogers says that some moves take luck. "One day	176
it could be your kickflips and another day your heelflips," he said. "It's sort of out	192
of your control."	195
Street skaters do not need spacious playing fields or pricey equipment. They need	208
motivation and plenty of practice. With a helmet and a board, anyone can take up	223
street skating.	225

Does skateboarding seem like a safe sport to you? Why or why not?

Check in with your partner. Does your partner think that skateboarding is safe or not so safe? Write your partner's opinion.

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