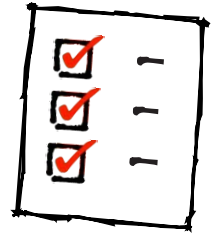


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Day Two

Venus Williams Speaks Out

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words



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

- She has been ranked the number one women's player
- from one of the world's most famous tennis tournaments
- She said unequal prize money was unfair
- With power and status comes responsibility
- Wimbledon began awarding equal prize money
- she surprised everyone and won the tournament

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Decoding practice:

Circle the base words in the longer words below. Remember, a base word shows the core meaning of a longer word. The base word includes no word endings or prefixes. The first one has been done for you.

player

international

unfair

unequal

powerful

politely



Day Two

// one minute

Venus Williams Speaks Out

Part 2: Last read

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Venus Williams is an international tennis celebrity. She has won Olympic gold medals. She has been ranked the number one women’s player in the world. Her skills on the court have made her rich and famous. She has used her fame to speak out against unfair prize money. 48

Williams took on officials from one of the world’s most famous tennis tournaments: Wimbledon. For years, women who played at Wimbledon won less prize money than men. In 2005, Williams met with Wimbledon officials. She said unequal prize money was unfair. She pointed out that she and other women stars attracted many fans to Wimbledon. How could they be paid less than the men? The officials listened politely. But they refused to increase the women’s prize money. 61 74 88 103 118 125

Williams would not give up. In 2006, she wrote a powerful letter to *The Times*, a popular British newspaper. The letter said, “With power and status comes responsibility. Well, Wimbledon has power and status. The time has come for it to do the right thing.” 142 154 170

This time, Wimbledon officials could not ignore Venus Williams. Starting in 2007, Wimbledon began awarding equal prize money. That year, Williams was ranked 31st in the world. She was not expected to do well at Wimbledon. However, she surprised everyone and won the tournament. For the first time, thanks to Williams, the men’s and women’s champions took home equal prizes. 182 195 209 224 230

Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

Is it ever okay to offer different prize money to men and women? Yes No

Explain. _____

Ask your partner’s opinion.

My partner’s opinion is that _____