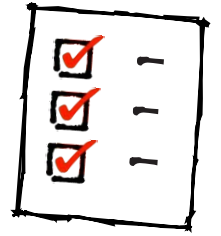


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Day Two

Ku Klux Klan Murders

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words



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

- These men were civil rights workers
- He kept them from getting out of town
- They wanted to scare people away from voting
- often refused to punish KKK members
- Even when there was a trial

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Decoding practice:

Circle the base words in the longer words below. The base is a word part that shows the core meaning. The first one is done for you.

workers

movement

African

beatings

southern

guilty



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Part 2: Last read

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In June 1964, Ku Klux Klan members killed three men. These men were civil rights workers. They were in Mississippi to help Black people vote. A policeman pulled them over for speeding. The policeman was a Ku Klux Klan member. He kept them from getting out of town. 48
 This gave others enough time to plan their murder. Two of the men killed were White, and 65
 one was Black. 68

The Ku Klux Klan, or KKK, is a hate group. They believe that White people are better. They 86
 want only White people to have power. The first KKK group started in the U.S. after the 103
 Civil War. 105

In the 1960's, the KKK fought against the civil rights movement. They did not want African 121
 Americans to have the same rights. They tried to scare people away from creating change. 136
 The KKK used beatings, bombings, and shootings. They wanted to scare people away from 150
 voting or speaking up. 154

In the 1960s, southern governments often refused to punish KKK members. Even when there 168
 was a trial, it was hard to find witnesses. Some people supported what the KKK did. Others 185
 were afraid to speak up. 190

June 21, 2005 was forty-one years after the KKK murders in Mississippi. On that day, Edgar 206
 Ray Killen was finally found guilty of the three murders. He was sentenced to 60 years in 223
 prison. He died in 2018. 228

Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

Do you think people should speak up even when they are afraid? Or should people stay quiet if someone might hurt them?

Share ideas with your partner.

We agree about this

We disagree about this