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Day Two

Coollest City on the Planet

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words

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

- It's one of the five boroughs
- One of Brooklyn's most famous natives
- Some neighborhoods are traditionally Jewish
- Brooklyn's old-style ethnic neighborhoods
- may soon be a thing of the past

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| <input type="checkbox"/> boroughs | BUR ohz |
| <input type="checkbox"/> inspired | in SPYRD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Giuliani | joo lee AH nee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Justice | JUSS tiss |
| <input type="checkbox"/> comedian | kuh MEE dee en |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bed-Stuy | bed STY |
| <input type="checkbox"/> vibrant | VY brent |



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 \sim over the first vowel
- Say the word with your partner

The first one is done for you.

rapper

ballads

sonnet

gullet

mellow



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// one minute

Cooliest City on the Planet

Part 2: Last read

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“Brooklyn is the coolest city on the planet,” said a story in *GQ* magazine. Actually, Brooklyn itself isn’t really a city. It’s one of the five boroughs that make up New York City. The other four boroughs are Queens, the Bronx, Manhattan, and Staten Island. With 2.6 million residents, Brooklyn has the most people of any of the five boroughs.

What makes Brooklyn so cool? Hip bands perform there, belting out pop songs, hip-hop, and ballads. Artists get inspired by Brooklyn’s energy. They turn their ideas into sonnets, songs, photos, and paintings. Museums display world treasures and edgy new art. Visitors fill their gullets at trendy restaurants.

One of Brooklyn’s most famous natives is rapper Jay-Z. Rudy Giuliani, mayor of New York City during 9/11, was born in Brooklyn. So was Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Athlete Carmelo Anthony and comedian Chris Rock also hail from Brooklyn.

People from all over the world have made their home in Brooklyn. Some neighborhoods are traditionally Jewish. Others are African American, Dominican, Chinese, or Italian. Residents are proud that in Brooklyn, people tend to get along. Relations between different groups and neighborhoods are mostly mellow.

However, Brooklyn’s old-style ethnic neighborhoods may soon be a thing of the past. Over time, neighborhoods have been becoming more mixed. Judith, who is White, now lives in Bed-Stuy, a mainly Black area. She and her husband feel happy and at home there. She told *The New York Times*, “We just feel lucky to be living in such a vibrant place.”

Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

Would you like to visit Brooklyn? What would you like to see or do there? Why?

How does your partner feel about visiting Brooklyn?
