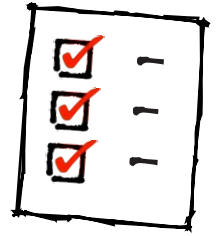


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## Day Two

# Ultimate Fighting

### Part 1: Tricky phrases and words

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

- He thought people would pay to see different kinds of fighters
- no biting and no eye-gouging
- Some people were disgusted by ultimate fighting
- 36 states outlawed ultimate fighting
- chess matches that require immense dedication and discipline
- UFC decided to adjust its hardcore image

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| <input type="checkbox"/> dedication    | deh   dih   <b>KAY</b>   shun  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> discipline    | <b>DIH</b>   sih   plin        |
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### Decoding practice:

Circle the two base words in the compounds below. The first one is done for you.

tossup

outlawed

kickbox

hardcore

headbutts



# Day Two Ultimate Fighting

// one minute

## Part 2: Last read

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Who is toughest: a wrestler, a boxer, or a martial arts expert? Art Davie thought it could be a tossup. He thought people would pay to see different kinds of fighters battle to see who was the best. He was right. His idea became the Ultimate Fighting Championships. 47  
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The original UFC logo said “There Are No Rules!” However, this was not quite true. There were two rules: no biting and no eye-gouging. Competitors could butt heads, twist fingers, and pull hair. They could punch, slap, kickbox, and choke their opponents. 62  
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Some people were disgusted by ultimate fighting. They worried that fighters would be killed. They were shocked to see audiences cheering as fighters were brutally beaten. In response, 36 states outlawed ultimate fighting. 102  
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However, many people pointed out that UFC fighters tended to be highly trained and highly educated. Matt Hughes, a former college wrestler, became an ultimate fighter. He called the fights “chess matches that require immense dedication and discipline.” 136  
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Still, UFC decided to adjust its hardcore image. It banned headbutts, pinching, and hits to the groin, neck, and head. But it remains controversial—and very popular. “It’s not for everybody,” says Mark Ratner, a UFC employee. “But if you go to an event, you see the art of it.” 174  
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## Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

Everyone agrees that UFC is a dangerous sport. Do you think UFC should be banned?

- Definitely yes.
- I’m not sure.
- Definitely no.

Talk to your partner about banning UFC. Write down your partner’s opinion and reasons.

My partner thinks that UFC should

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