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The King of Pop

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words

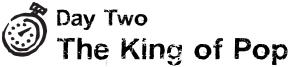


Read these phrases and words out loud to your partner.			
	But rumors flew around about his skin color		
	Michael Jackson actually had a skin disorder		
	People with vitiligo lose their skin coloring in small patches		
	But people of all skin tones can suffer from this skin problem		
	The vitiligo was just one of many body issues that dogged Michael		
	Whispers and slams can distract teens from learning		
	rumors	ROO murz	
	vitiligo	vih tih LEYE goh	
	population	pop yoo LAY shuhn	
	spread	SPRED	

Decoding practice:

Circle the base words in the longer words below. Remember, a base word is a smaller word within a longer word, with no endings or other word parts added.

wowed	Thriller	bleached
disorder	darker	coloring
dogged	targeted	directly



Part 2: Last read

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Michael Jackson wowed listeners with hits like "Beat It." But rumors flew around about his skin color. As a member of the Jackson Five, Michael's skin was a rich brown. By the time the video for "Thriller" came out, Michael's skin was almost white.

56 Many people thought Michael Jackson bleached his skin. He didn't! Michael Jackson actually had a skin disorder. It is called vitiligo. About one percent of the population has 72 87 this problem. Vitiligo runs in the Jackson family, and people with a family history are more likely to develop the skin problem. People with vitiligo lose their skin coloring in 102 small patches. The patches can spread and form large white areas on the face and body. 118 Vitiligo stands out the most for people with darker coloring. But people of all skin 133 tones can suffer from this skin problem. Since Michael Jackson had vitiligo on his 147 165 face, he used a cream to make his skin tones match. The vitiligo was just one of many 170 body issues that dogged Michael.

Even as the King of Pop, Michael was teased about his skin. People with this skin

disorder often have problems with self-esteem. They may be targeted by bullies. They

may have trouble making and keeping friends. Although vitiligo does not directly

affect learning, teens with vitiligo can struggle in school. Whispers and slams can

distract teens from learning.

Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

Why do you think teens can be mean to people with vitiligo?

Check with your partner. Why do they think teens can be mean about vitiligo?

Passage 2