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Day Two

Aaron and Tia: Trying to Stay Together

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words



Read these phrases and words out loud to your partner.		
	But neither had a green card	
	As a high school graduate	
	Aaron met the requirements	
	that send few immigrants to the U.S.	
	Tia needed to reexamine her options	
	Jamaica	juh MAY kuh
	requirements	rih KWEYER munts
	fortunate	FOR chuh nut
	options	OP shunz



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.

graduation

requirements

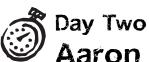
fortunate

lucky

reexamine

employer

scientists



Part 2: Last read

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Aaron and Tia started dating in high school in Florida. Aaron is from Panama,

and Tia was born in Jamaica. After finishing school, they dreamed of staying in the U.S. But neither had a green card.

After graduation, Aaron returned to Panama. He worked for two years at a bank. 50 As a high school graduate with work experience, Aaron met the requirements for 63 the Diversity Lottery. Aaron was very fortunate to win a green card! He currently 77 lives and works in Miami. 82

Tia wasn't as lucky. The lottery is just for people from countries like Panama that 97 send few immigrants to the U.S. People from Jamaica are ineligible. Tia needed to 111 reexamine her options for staying in Florida. 118

Most green cards are given to close family members of U.S. citizens. Relatives of 132 green card holders can also apply. There are long waiting periods, however, even 145 for people who qualify. Tia had family in Florida, but none of her close relatives 160 were citizens or permanent residents. Some other routes to a green card are 173 possible. Refugees—people who face danger in their home countries—can get 185 permission to live in the U.S. Workers with special skills can be sponsored for a 200 green card by a U.S. employer. Computer scientists, for example, might 211 216 qualify for a work visa.

None of these options worked for Tia. Without a green card, Tia had to return to 232 Jamaica. She is applying to colleges here so that she can rejoin Aaron in the U.S. 248

Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

Tia can come back to the U.S. if she can attend an American college. Why might it be hard for Tia to attend an American college?

Share your answer with your partner. Add another idea from your partner.

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