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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
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- 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



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// one minute

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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 the Diversity Lottery. Aaron was very fortunate to win a green card! He currently lives and works in Miami.	63 77 82

Tia wasn't as lucky. The lottery is just for people from countries like Panama that send few immigrants to the U.S. People from Jamaica are ineligible. Tia needed to reexamine her options for staying in Florida.	97 111 118
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Most green cards are given to close family members of U.S. citizens. Relatives of green card holders can also apply. There are long waiting periods, however, even for people who qualify. Tia had family in Florida, but none of her close relatives were citizens or permanent residents. Some other routes to a green card are possible. Refugees—people who face danger in their home countries—can get permission to live in the U.S. Workers with special skills can be sponsored for a green card by a U.S. employer. Computer scientists, for example, might qualify for a work visa.	132 145 160 173 185 200 211 216
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None of these options worked for Tia. Without a green card, Tia had to return to Jamaica. She is applying to colleges here so that she can rejoin Aaron in the U.S.	232 248
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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.
