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Pay One You've Got the Power

Part 1: Silent read

→ How can you get power in your life? Read silently.

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Justin says, "Sometimes I go along with things because I don't know how to say no." Saying no includes using the right words for your feelings. Your friends suggest doing something dangerous. Are you just a little worried? Do you feel uneasy? Or are your scared feelings stronger? Could you be fearful, jumpy, edgy, or panicky?

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Part 2: First timed read

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Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

How do people act if they have power over their own life?

What are some words for strong emotions?

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Part 4: Phrase-cued reading

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- → Pause at each / mark for a phrase.
- → Also pause at each // mark that shows the end of a sentence.

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☐ I read the passage in phrases out loud to my partner.

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