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## Day One

# Briana Scurry's Legacy

### Part 1: Silent read

→ During her long career, Briana Scurry has made big saves as a top goalkeeper. Find out the other qualities that make her a team leader. Read silently.

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### Part 2: First timed read

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### Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

What makes Briana Scurry a team leader?

Why did the U.S. coaches punish Hope Solo?

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### Part 4: Phrase-cued reading

- Read the passage **out loud** in phrases to your partner.
- Pause at each / mark for a phrase.
- Also pause at each // mark that shows the end of a sentence.

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