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Day Two Iraqi Children and the War

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words



Read these phrases and words out loud to your partner.						
	They dealt with new levels of violence and uncertainty					
	Life changes in countless ways in wartime					
	Because war stops the flow of goods					
	Violence was an everyday concern					
	Insurgents clashed with U.S. troops in the streets					
	uncertainty	un SUR tan tee		civilians	sih VIL yenz	
	stability	stuh BIL ih tee		neighbor	NAY bur	
	items	EYE temz		refugees	REF yoo jeez	
	scarce	SKAIRSS		Laith	LAYTH	
	insurgents	in SUR jents				



Decoding practice:

We break words into syllables where we see two consonants in the middle of words.

- Underline the middle two consonants
- Draw a line between the two consonants
- Put a short vowel sign over the first vowel
- Say the word with your partner

The first one is done for you.

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comfort confused disrupts kidnap witness insult

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Part 2. Last read	unagenagenagena
In the Iraq War, many children were innocent victims. They huddled in their houses as the bombs fell. They dealt with new levels of violence and uncertainty, even after the fighting stopped.	
Life changes in countless ways in wartime. Parents who usually provide comfort and	45
stability are suddenly frightened and confused. Because war stops the flow of goods, all	59
kinds of food and household items become scarce. During the Iraq War, many people	73
also lost electricity and water.	78
War also disrupts health care. As the war dragged on, hospitals closed, and many doctors	93
left the country. Without doctors and basic medical supplies, when infants and children	106
became sick, nobody could help them.	112
Violence was an everyday concern for Iraqi civilians. Insurgents clashed with U.S. troops	125
in the streets. Theft, kidnappings, and murder were common. About four million Iraqis	138
left the country and became refugees.	144
Laith was a young Iraqi refugee. His story was included in the book, Children of War.	160
Laith was 11 and had recently moved with his family from Iraq to nearby Jordan.	175
Laith's family fled Iraq after he witnessed a young neighbor being kidnapped in broad	189
daylight. Life was hard in Jordan. In Iraq, Laith's parents had good jobs, but in Jordan,	205
they had to beg for food. Iraqi refugees were often beaten and insulted. "I don't like any	222
of my life here in Jordan, except for being away from the killing," Laith said. "I want to	240
go home."	242
Part 3: Comprehension and discussion	
If you could speak to Laith, what would you say?	
Share your answer with your parter. What would your partner say to Laith?	

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