

Name:

Day One

Rolie Does It All

Part 1: Silent read

➔ Would you put an NFL career on hold? Find out about Myron Rolle. Read silently.

Top students excel in various subjects, work hard outside of class, and use what they learn to help their communities. Myron Rolle did all these things, and he was also one of the most impressive college football players in the country.

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Myron's life-long plan has been to become a doctor. He took pre-med courses at Florida State and then won a scholarship to Oxford University in England.

Senior year in college, Rolle faced a challenging choice. The Oxford scholarship was a huge honor, but it would keep him out of the NFL draft for at least a year. People told him if he entered the draft right away, he would get picked early. If he waited a year, he might not get picked at all.

Myron made his choice: he would go to England and enter the NFL draft later. He watched other college players sign and went off to study. When he returned, Myron played briefly for the Titans and Steelers, but his NFL career never took off.

Myron had no regrets. He made the decision to go back to Florida State. This time, he would be attending medical school. It was time to achieve his goal of becoming a doctor.



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// one minute

Part 2: First timed read

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Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

What decision did Myron Rolle make as a college senior?

What honor did Myron win as a college freshman? _____

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