Felipe Alou:
From the Valleys to the Mountains

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A NOTE TO THE READER

This novel is a true biographical account of one of Major League Baseball’s greatest players and managers, Felipe Alou. His story is based on personal testimony that Felipe himself shared during an exclusive personal interview. The story of his life and career has been artfully narrated using a minimal number of high-frequency words in English.

New vocabulary is embedded within numerous (Spanish) cognates (words that are similar in two languages), making it an ideal first read for beginning language students. A comprehensive glossary lists all vocabulary used in the story. Keep in mind that many words are listed in the glossary more than once, as most appear throughout the book in various forms and tenses. (Ex.: I go, he goes, he went, etc.) Vocabulary words and phrases that would be considered beyond a beginning level are footnoted within the text, and their meanings given at the bottom of the page where each occurs.

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Chapter 1
The Dominican Republic

In the Caribbean Sea, there is a tropical island. The island is called Hispaniola. The island of Hispaniola has two (2) parts: One (1) part is the nation of Haiti and the other part is the nation of the Dominican Republic.

The Dominican Republic is famous. It is famous for baseball! Baseball is very popular in the Dominican Republic. There are many professional baseball players from the Dominican. Many of them are famous. They are famous in the Dominican Republic and in Latin America, and they are also famous in the United
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States. Dominican baseball definitely receives international attention!

The Dominican Republic also receives international attention for its beaches\(^1\). Its tropical beaches are very famous. There are many elegant hotels on the beaches, and many international tourists visit every year\(^2\). A popular vacation destination, the Dominican Republic is considered a tropical paradise!

For many years, the Dominican Republic was not a paradise! It was not a vacation destination, and it

\(^1\)beaches - playas [sandy areas of a coast, sandy areas of a coastline]

\(^2\)every year - cada año [each year, every 12 months, every 365 days]
was not famous for baseball either. Between 1930 and 1961, a dictator controlled the nation. The dictator was General Rafael Leonidas Trujillo Molina. General Trujillo was a rigid, oppressive and violent dictator! He controlled the nation with political oppression and terrorist tactics.

In the year 1937, the dictator organized a horrible massacre, called ‘El Corte’ (The Cutting). The massacre was organized to eliminate Haitians. There were many Haitians who lived in the Dominican Republic. The cruel dictator did not want Haitians living in the Dominican Republic. He wanted to eliminate them from his nation! He said, “I don’t want Haitians living in my nation. Kill3 them! But do not kill Dominicans; only kill Haitians!”

Haitians are black, and many Dominicans are also black. To distinguish the Haitians from the Dominicans, the military used a tactic called a ‘Shibboleth’4. A Shibboleth is a military tactic that uses a spoken

3 *kill* - *maten, asesinen* [murder, execute, end one’s life]

4 ‘*shibboleth’* - ‘*santo y seña’*: una palabra o frase que se utiliza para distinguir a un grupo o clase de personas que otro

[A word or pronunciation that distinguishes people of one group or class from those of another.]
word\(^5\) (or words) to distinguish people from different nations. The Haitians did not speak Spanish; they spoke Creole (criollo). The pronunciation of Creole is different from the pronunciation of Spanish. The Haitians could not pronounce many words in Spanish. In particular, they could not pronounce the word ‘perejil’ (parsley). When a Haitian pronounced ‘perejil’ (parsley) in Spanish, it was obvious that he did not speak Spanish and that he was not a Dominican. It was obvious that he was a Haitian! If a person could not pronounce the word ‘perejil’ (parsley) perfectly, the military would kill him!

\(^5\text{word(s) - palabra(s) [units of meaning in language]}\)
Trujillo ordered the killing of all the Haitians who were living in the Dominican Republic. He ordered the military: “Eliminate the Haitians! I want all Haitians killed! But do not use military arms\(^6\) to kill them; I do not want any military evidence! Kill them with machetes!”

![A machete from the Dominican Republic](image)

During the six (6) days of the massacre, the military (armed with machetes) killed more than 17,000 Haitians who were living in the Dominican. The irony of the massacre is that the dictator was part Haitian.

During his dictatorship, General Trujillo was responsible for many violent and cruel acts, but he was also responsible for positive acts: He was responsible for the construction of schools, houses, hospitals and clinics. He was also responsible for positive economic

\(^6\)arms - armas [weapons, armaments of war]
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progress, but the economic progress did not benefit the people! It benefited the dictator and his officials. The corrupt political officials lived like kings\(^7\), while Dominicans continued to live in poverty\(^8\).

\(^7\)kings - reyes [rulers, sovereign powers]

\(^8\)poverty - la pobreza [living with little or no money]
Chapter 2
The Rojas Family

During the dictatorship of General Trujillo, many, many Dominicans lived in poverty. The dictator and his officials lived in excellent conditions while the Dominican people lived in poor conditions. The people did not have much money. They lived in poverty, and many lived in hunger. They also lived with a lot of political oppression. But in 1935, there was a child who had no idea that there was political oppression or poverty. His name was Felipe Rojas Alou. He was the
son of José Rojas and Virginia Alou.

José and Virginia had a big family. They had six children (in order): Felipe, María, Mateo, Jesús, Juan and Virginia.

To José and Virginia, family was very important. They were very dedicated parents! The Rojas family did not have much money, but the children did not notice. They were innocent and happy; they did not notice the oppressive political situation or the poverty in which they lived.

The Rojas family lived in Haina, Kilometer 12 in the National District. It was called Kilometer 12 because
it was 12 kilometers from Trujillo City\textsuperscript{1}, the capital of the Dominican Republic. The family lived with very little money, but they had a house to live in. Felipe’s father was a talented carpenter, and he was responsible for the construction of the family’s house. His father was a carpenter and a blacksmith\textsuperscript{2}, and his mother was a homemaker\textsuperscript{3}. His father was black, and his mother was white. To the Rojas children, living in a house with white and black people was \textit{normal}. Race\textsuperscript{4} was not important; to the children, there was no difference between black people and white people.

The Rojas Family was very well respected by the Haina Community. José and Virginia had a stable family and insisted that their children have good character.

\textsuperscript{1}Trujillo City - Ciudad Trujillo

[Trujillo City was the name of the capital of the Dominican Republic. General Trujillo changed the capital city’s original name, Santo Domingo, to Trujillo City in 1930. After his assassination in 1961, the capital city’s original name was restored.]

(En 1930, el General Trujillo cambió el nombre original de Santo Domingo a Ciudad Trujillo. Después de su asesinato en 1961, el nombre original fue restaurado.)

\textsuperscript{2}blacksmith - herrero [a person who works with iron]

\textsuperscript{3}homemaker- ama de casa [a mother who does not work outside the home, a stay-at-home mom]

\textsuperscript{4}race - raza [the color of a person’s skin]
Santo Domingo: The Fort of Conception in the Colonial Zone. Between 1930 and 1961, Santo Domingo was called Trujillo City.

They insisted that they live with integrity and honor. They also insisted that the children receive an excellent education. Education was very important to them!

Felipe and his brothers and sisters went to elementary school in Haina, Kilometer 12 and they went to high school in Santo Domingo. Felipe was

5high school (secondary school) - escuela secundaria [grades 9 – 12]
very intelligent and athletic. He was an excellent student and was very dedicated to his studies. Felipe was a very talented person! He had a lot of confidence and he lived with an idea... He had a vision for the future and felt like he was going to do something important with his life. In the 11th grade, the Dominican Republic’s Commission of the National Track Team\textsuperscript{6} selected Felipe to be on the team, a tremendous honor. Felipe was a javelin thrower\textsuperscript{7}, and his participation on the National Track Team was the first indication that he was going to do something important with his life.

\textsuperscript{6}National Track Team - Equipo Nacional de Atletismo  [Track includes many events, including running, throwing and jumping.]

\textsuperscript{7}javelin thrower - lanzador de jabalina  [A javelin is a long object with a point, like a lance or spear.]
# English-Spanish Glossary

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attitude(s) - actitud(es)
awards - premios
(to go) back - regresar
ball - pelota
baseball - béisbol
bathroom - baño
batted - bateó; batearon; bateaba; bateaban
batter - bateador
batting - bateando
(to) be - ser; estar
beaches - playas
because - porque
behind - detrás
beloved - querido
benefit - beneficio
benefited - benéfico
between - entre
big - grande
bitter - amargado
black(s) - negro(s)
blacksmith - herrero
brother(s) - hermano(s)
bus - autobús
but - pero
(to) buy - comprar
by - por
called - llamó; llamaron; llamaba; llamaban
can - puede; pueden
can’t - no puede; no pueden
capital - capital

(to) capture - capturar
captured - capturó; capturaron; capturado
capturing - capturando
car(s) - carro(s)
career(s) - carrera
carpenter - carpintero
(to) cause - causar;
cause - causa
celebrated - celebró; celebraron
Central America - América Central
championship(s) - campeonato(s)
character - carácter
charisma - carisma
child - niño
children - niños
Jesus Christ - Jesucristo
circular - circular
city - ciudad
climbed - subió; subieron
clinics - clínicas
clothes - ropa
coast - costa
cocoa - cacao
collegiate - colegial
coloreds - un nombre (ofensivo) para la gente negra o africanoamericanos
commented - comentó; comentaron
commission - comisión
committed - cometió
common - común
communicate - comunicar
community - comunidad
compassion - compasión
(to) compete - competir
completed - completó
completely - completamente
(to) concentrate - concentrarse
concentrated - concentró; que concentrara
condition(s) - condición(es)
confidence - confianza
confident - confidente
confidently - confidencialmente
confused - confuso
consequences - consecuencias
(to) consider - considerar
considered - consideraron
construction - construcción
continually - continuamente
(to) continue - continuar
continued - continuó; continuaron
(to) contract - contratar; contrato
contracted - contrató; contrataron
controlled - controlaba
converted - convirtió
(to) convince - convencer

convincing - convincente
correct - correcto
corrupt - corruptos
could - podía; podían
couldn’t - no podía
crack - crac
Creole - criollo
cruel - cruel
cruelly - cruelmente
(the) cutting - El Corte
day(s) - día(s)
death - muerte
deceased - muerto
decided - decidió; decidieron; decidido
decision - decisión
(to) dedicate - dedicar
dedicated - dedicó; dedicado
dedication - dedicación
definitely - definitivamente
degregation - segregación
delicious - delicioso
(to) demand - demandar
democracy - democracia
departure - salida
deplovable - deplorable
designated - designado
destination - destino
determination - determinación
detestable - detestable
detested - detestó
devastated - devastado
dictator - dictador
dictatorship - dictadura
did - hizo; una palabra cuya función es poner un verbo o pregunta en el pasado
didn’t - negación en el pasado
difference - diferencia
different - diferente
difficult - difícil
director - director
disc - disco
discrimination - discriminación
disgrace - desgracia
disgusted - disgustado
disillusioned - desilusionado
disillusionment - desilusión
distinguish - distinguir
distractions - distracciones
district - distrito
(to) do - hacer
doctor - doctor
does - hace
Dominicans - dominicanos
don’t - no
door - puerta
(to go) down - bajar
(to sit) down - sentarse
dressed - se vistió; se vistieron; vestido
driver - chofer
duration - duración
during - durante
each - cada
east - este
Eastern League - Liga del este
(to) eat - comer
eating - comiendo
economic - económico
education - educación
either - tampoco
elegant - elegante
elementary school - escuela primaria
(to) eliminate - eliminar
eliminated - eliminó; eliminaron; eliminado
eliminating - eliminando
(to) encounter - encontrar
encountered - encontró; encontraron; encontrado
energy - energía
English - inglés
(to) enter - entrar
entered - entró; entraron; entrado
entering - entrando
enthusiasm - entusiasmo
enthusiastically - con entusiasmo
entire - entero
entrance(s) - entrada(s)
error - error
especially - especialmente
eternal - eterno
eternity - eternidad
every - cada
everyone - todos
everything - todo
evidence - evidencia
evident - evidente
exactly - exactamente
exceeding - excediendo
excellent - excelente
exception - excepción
exceptional - excepcional
exclaimed - exclamó; exclamaron; exclamado
exclusively - exclusivamente
executives - ejecutivos
expectations - expectativas
experience - experiencia
expert(s) - expert(s)
explained - explicó; explicaron; explicado
extraordinary - extraordinario
extreme - extremo
extremely - extremadamente
faith - fe
fame - fama
family - familia
famous - famoso
fan(s) - fanático(s)
father - padre
fatigue - fatiga
(in) favor (of) - (a) favor (de)
favorable - favorable
(to) feel - sentir(se)
felt - sintió; sintieron; sentido
female - mujer; persona femenina
few - pocos
field - campo
final - final
finally - finalmente
financial - financiero
firm - firme
firmly - firmemente
first - primero
five - cinco
floor(s) - piso(s); suelo
food - comida
for - por; para
formal - formal
forming - formando
fortune - fortuna
four - cuatro
frequently - frecuentemente
from - de
front - parte delantera
fruits - frutas
fulfilled - cumplió; cumplieron; cumplido
furious - furioso
furiously - furiosamente
future - futuro
game(s) - juego(s); partido(s)
general - general
(to) get (on) - subir a
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getting (on) - subiendo a
(to) go - ir
going - yendo
gold - oro
good - bueno(a)
got on - se subió
got off - bajó
grabbed - agarró; agarraron; agarrado
grade - grado
graduated - se graduó; graduado
had - tuvo; tuvieron; tenía; tenían; había
Haitian(s) - haitiano(s)
hamburger(s) - hamburguesa(s)
happily - felizmente
happy - feliz; alegre
hard - difícil; duro
has - tiene; ha
hat - sombrero
(to) have - tener
he - él
here - aquí
high school - escuela secundaria
him - él, lo
(to) him - le
his - su
history - historia
home - hogar
homemaker - ama de casa
homerun - jonrón
honor - honor
horrible - horrible
hospitals - hospitales
hotel(s) - hotel(es)
hour(s) - hora(s)
house(s) - casa(s)
hunger - hambre
(was) hungry - tenía hambre
I - yo
idea - idea
if - si
(to) ignore - ignorar
ignored - ignoró; ignoraron; igno-
orado
imagined - imaginó; imaginaba; im-
aginado
immediately - inmediatamente
impact - impacto
impatiently - impacientemente
impeccable - impecable
implication(s) - implicación(es)
important - importante
(more) importantly - más impor-
tante
(to) impress - impresionar
impressed - impresionó; impres-
ionaron; impresionado
impressive - impresionante
in - en
inability - incapacidad
including - incluyendo
incorrectly - incorrectamente
incredible - increíble
indecisive - indeciso
indication - indicación
inning - entrada [a segment of a baseball game, during which, each team bats; there are 9 innings in a baseball game]
innocent - inocente
insisted - insistió; insistieron
instructor - instructor
integrity - integridad
intelligence - inteligencia
intelligent - inteligente
intended - intentó
international - internacional
interrupted - interrumpió
interview - entrevista
(went) into - (entraron) en; entró en
intolerable - intolerable
irony - ironía
irresistible - irresistible
irritated - irritado
is - es; está
island - isla
isn’t - no es; no está
it - lo; la
its - sus
javelin - jabalina
just - solo
(to) kill - matar
killed - mató; mataron; matado
killing - matando
kilometer(s) - kilómetro(s)
king - rey
laborers - obreros
lake - lago
last - ultimo
last name - apellido
Latin America - América Latina
law - ley
league(s) - liga
Major League - Grandes Ligas
minor league - liga menor
(to) leave - salir
leaving - saliendo
left - salió
legislation - legislación
less - menos
let’s eat - comemos
life - vida
like - como
line - línea; cola
little - pequeño
(to) live - vivir
lived - vivió; vivieron; vivido
lives - vive; vidas
living - viviendo
(no) longer - ya no
(a) lot - mucho
machetes - machetes
made - hizo
male(s) - hombre(s); masculino
man - hombre
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manager(s) - mánager(es)
manner - manera
many - muchos
March - marzo
massacre - masacre
May - mayo
me - mí
mean(s) - significa
medal - medalla
medical - médico
military - militar
minutes - minutos
modest - modesto
moment - momento
money - dinero
months - meses
more - más
most - el más
mother - madre
mountains - montañas
(to) move - moverse; mudarse
moved - se movió; se movieron;
se mudó; se mudaron
movement - movimiento
much - mucho
my - mi
name(s) - nombre(s)
nation - nación
national - nacional
needed - necesitaba; necesitaba-
ban
nervous - nervioso
nervously - nerviosamente
new - nuevo
next - próximo
nine - nueve
no - no
normal - normal
normally - normalmente
not - no
notable - notable
notably - notablemente
(that they) notice - que notaran
noticed - notaba; notaban; no-
taron
November - noviembre
now - ahora
(to) observe - observar
observed - observó; observaron;
observaban
observing - observando
obstacle(s) - obstáculo(s)
obtain - obtener
obvious - obvio
occasion(s) - ocasión(es)
of - de
(get) off - bajarse de
(got) off - se bajó de
office - oficina
official(s) - oficiales
ok - está bien
old - viejo
(get) on - subirse a
(got) on - se subió a
once - una vez
one - uno
only - solo
opinion - opinión
opportunity - oportunidad
oppression - opresión
oppressive - opresivo
options - opciones
or - o
(to) order - pedir
ordered - pidió; pidieron
organized - organizó; organi-
zaron
other - otro
our - nuestro(a)
(to get) out - salir de
outfield - jardín; el área fuera
del cuadro
Pacific - Pacífico
paradise - paraíso
parents - padres
parsley - perejil
part(s) - parte(s)
(to) participate - participar
participation - participación
(in) particular - en particular
pass - pasan
passed - pasaron
passing - pasando
past - pasado
patient - paciente
people - gente
perfect - perfecto
perfectly - perfectamente
perseverance - perseverancia
person - persona
phenomenal - fenomenal
pitched - lanzó
pitcher - lanzador
plan - plan
(to) play - jugar
played - jugó; jugaron; jugaba;
jugaban; jugado
player(s) - jugadores
playing - jugando
police - policía
policeman - el policía
political - político
poor - pobre
popular - popular
position - posición
positive - positivo
possible - posible
poverty - pobreza
practice - práctica
practiced - practicaba; practica-
ban
practicing - practicando
preferred - prefería; preferían
preparation - preparación
(to) prepare - preparar
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prestigious - prestigiosos
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<td>station - estación</td>
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<td>so - así que; tan</td>
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**English-Spanish Glossary**

tactic - táctica
talent - talento
talented - talentoso
(to) talk - hablar
talking - hablando
talks - habla
taxi - taxi
team(s) - equipo(s)
teammate(s) - compañeros del equipo
terrible - terrible
terrorist - terrorista
than - que
thank you - gracias
that - que
the - el; la
their - su; sus
them - ellos; les; los; las
then - entonces
there - allí
there are - hay
there were - había
they - ellos
(to) think - pensar
thinking - pensando
this - este; esta
those - esos; esas
three - tres
through - por
(javelin) thrower - lanzador de (jabalina)
throwing - lanzando
time(s) - vez (veces)
timid - tímido
to - a
together - juntos
too - demasiado; también
total - total
tourists - turistas
toward - hacia
National Track Team - Equipo Nacional de Atletismo
traded - cambiaron
tradition - tradición
tragedy - tragedia
(to) train - entrenarse
trained - se entrenaba; se entrenó
trainer(s) - entrenadores
training - entrenamiento
transformed - transformó; transformaron
transition - transición
tremendous - tremendo
tremendously - tremendamente
tropical - tropical
twenty - veinte
two - dos
typical - típico
(to) understand - comprender
(did not) understand - no comprendió
understood - comprendió
English-Spanish Glossary

unfortunately - desafortunadamente
university - universidad
until - hasta
(moved him) up - lo subieron
what - qué
when - cuándo
where - dónde
while - mientras
victories - victorias
violent - violento
visa - visa
vision - visión
(to) visit - visitar
voice - voz
(to) vote - votar
voted - votó; votaron
(to) wait - esperar
waited - esperaba; esperaban; esperó; esperaron
waiting - esperando
(to) want - querer
wanted - quería; querían; quiso; quisieron
was - era; estaba
we - nosotros(as)
(to) wear - llevar puesto
wearing - llevando
weeks - semanas
well - bien
went - fue; fueron; iba; iban
were - eran; estaban; fueron; estuvieron
white(s) - blanco(s)
who - quién
(to) win - ganar
winning - ganando
with - con
without - sin
won - ganó; ganaron
wondered - se preguntó
wood - madera
word(s) - palabra(s)
(to) work - trabajar
worked - trabajó; trabajaron; trabajaba; trabajaban
working - trabajando
works - trabaja
yea - sí
year(s) - año(s)
(to) yell - gritar
yelled - gritó; gritaron
yes - sí
English-Spanish Glossary

you - tú
your - tu
English Glossary

a - one; not any certain one (in-definite article)
(to) abandon - to leave; to desert
abandoned - left; deserted
ability - talent; special skill
abilities - talents; special skills
about - of; concerning; in regard to
abruptly - unexpected; sudden
abused - misused; treated in a harmful way
acceptable - worthy of being accepted; satisfactory
accident - an event that occurs unintentionally
accidentally - unexpected; unplanned
acts - behaves in a certain fashion
admired - regarded with approval
adored - regarded with esteem, love, or honor
(to) affect - to produce a change in
affected - produced a change in
African - of or from Africa
after - later in time than; behind in place or in position
again - another time
agent(s) - a person or business authorized to act on another person’s behalf
aggressively - assertively; boldly
airport - facility for the landing, take off, and care of airplanes
all - every; the whole
(to) allow - to permit
allowed - permitted
also - too; in addition
(l) am - 1st person singular of to be
(Central) America - part of North America south of Mexico
American(s) - of or from the United States; of or from North or South America
an - one; not any certain one
and - as well as; in addition
anguish - suffering; pain
announcer - a person who introduces programs on TV or radio
another - additional; one more of the same
any - whatever or whichever it may be

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English Glossary

**apartment** - a set of rooms used as a dwelling for one family

*(they)* **are** - third person plural form of the verb to be

**area(s)** - a geographical region; a particular extent of surface

**armed** - having weapons

**arrived** - reached one’s destination

**arrogantly** - proudly; making claims of superior importance

**as** - to the same degree; to the same extent

**ascended** - climbed or moved upward

**asked** - inquired of; requested information of

**assistant** - aide; helper

**at** - preposition used to indicate location: in; on; near

**ate** - consumed; simple past tense of eat

**athlete(s)** - participant(s) in a sport, exercise, or game requiring physical skill

**athletic** - good athlete; physically active and strong

**athleticism** - athletic ability

**atrocities** - extremely shocking thing or circumstance

**attention** - observant care; consideration; concentrate on a single object or thought

**attitude(s)** - manner; disposition

**awards** - something awarded; payment or medal

*(to go)* **back** - to return

**ball** - a round object used for sports or games

**baseball** - a ball game played between two 9-player teams

**bathroom** - toilet; room for taking a bath or a shower

**batted** - the object

**batter** - player who swings the bat; player whose turn it is at bat

**batting** - striking at; hitting

*(to)* **be** - to exist; to live; to feel; to take place

**beaches** - sandy or rocky areas along a shoreline

**because** - for that reason

**behind** - in back of

**beloved** - well loved

**benefit** - advantageous; good deed; act of kindness

**benefited** - was to one’s advantage; was good for
between - in the space separating two points
big - large in height, size, or quantity
Bigs - nickname for Major League baseball; the Big League
bill - a statement of money owed for goods or services
bitter - distressing; painful feelings
black(s) - belonging to one of several populations characterized by dark skin
blacksmith - one who makes objects from iron
brother(s) - male sibling(s)
bus - large motor vehicle used to transport large numbers of passengers
but - on the contrary; yet
(to) buy - to purchase
by - next to; beside; before a certain point in time
called - telephoned; summoned; cried out
can - is able to
can’t- isn’t able to
capital - city or town that is the official seat of government
(to) capture - to take by force
captured - took by force
capturing - was taking by force
car(s) - automobile(s)
career(s) - occupation(s); profession(s)
carpenter - person who builds or repairs wooden structures
(to) cause - to bring about
celebrated - commemorated; observed
championship(s) - series of competitions to determine the best competitor or team
character - features and traits that make up the nature of a person, place or thing
charisma - charm; magnetism; presence
child - young boy or girl
children - young boys and/or girls
Jesus Christ - principal deity of the Christian religion
circular - in the shape of a circle, round
city - large or important town
climbed - went up; ascended
clinics - a site that provides medical treatment
clothes - garments; articles for wearing
coast - shoreline of the sea
English Glossary

collegiate - of or belonging to the college or university
coloreds - a word used to describe people of dark skinned races (often offensive)
commented - remarked; observed
commission - a group of people charged with certain duties
committed - engaged in
common - normal; usual
communicate - to share knowledge of; to make information known
community - group of people living in somewhat close association
compassion - feeling of deep sympathy
(to) compete - to try to outdo another person to win a prize or award
completed - finished
completely - fully; entirely
(to) concentrate - to think intensely about
concentrated - thought intensely about
condition(s) - social position; state
confidence - full trust or belief in someone or in one’s self
confident - sure; fully trusting in
confused - perplexed; bewildered
consequences - effect, result, or outcome of an action
(to) consider - to think carefully about in order to make a decision
considered - thought carefully about in order to make a decision
construction - the act of building or putting together
continually - habitually; very often
(to) continue - to keep on
continued - kept on
(to) contract - to hire
contracted - hired
controlled - dominated; exercised control over
converted - changed into a different form
(to) convince - to persuade; to move by argument
convincing - persuasive
correct - right
corrupt - guilty of dishonest practices
could - was, were able to
couldn’t - was, were not able to
crack - sound of a bat when a ball is hit
Creole - language spoken by Haitians
cruel - willfully or knowingly causing pain or distress to others
the Cutting - Massacre of Haitians in the Dominican Republic ordered by Trujillo
day(s) - 24 hour period(s)
death - the end of life
decided - determined; settled
decision - settled by giving victory to one side
dedicate - devote; commit; pledge
dedicated - devoted; committed; pledged
dedication - a devotion or pledge; ceremony held to honor a person or place
definitely - certainly; positively
delegation - a group of individuals selected to represent a larger group
delicious - very tasty
demand - ask for with proper authority
democracy - government by the people
departure - leaving; going
deplorable - lamentable; very bad
designated - named or selected
destination - place to which person or thing travels or is sent
determination - being determined; resolute
detestable - hateful, horrible
detested - hated
devastated - laid waste; destroyed
dictator - ruler exercising absolute power over a government
dictatorship - a country where absolute power is held by a dictator
did - simple past tense of do; to have done something; a helping verb that indicates past tense
didn’t - past-tense helping verb indicating negation
difference - state of being different; dissimilarity
different - not alike; separate; distinct
difficult - hard
**English Glossary**

**director** - a person that directs or controls

**disc** - flat, circular plate

**discrimination** - making a distinction in favor of or against a certain group

**disgrace** - loss of respect; honor; or esteem

**disgusted** - offended; extreme dislike for

**disillusioned** - lost one’s false ideas about something

**disillusionment** - the state of being disillusioned

**distinguish** - to recognize as distinct or different

**distractions** - that which prevents concentration

**district** - a division of territory

**do** - to execute; perform; auxiliary verb

**doctor** - person licensed to practice medicine

**does** - executes; performs; auxiliary verb

**Dominicans** - of or from the Dominican Republic

**door** - movable barrier for opening or closing an entryway

**down** - from higher to lower; descent

**dressed** - put on clothing

**driver** - a person who drives a vehicle

**duration** - length of time something occurs

**during** - at some point in the course of

**each** - every one individually

**east** - a cardinal point of the compass 90° to the right of north

**eastern** - of or from the east

**(to) eat** - to take into the mouth and swallow; to ingest

**eating** - taking into the mouth and swallowing; ingesting

**economic** - pertaining to an economy

**economy** - financial affairs of a community or country

**education** - imparting or acquiring general knowledge

**either** - one or the other of two

**elegant** - fine; luxurious; refined elementary school - school consisting of grades K-6

**eliminate** - remove; get rid of

**eliminated** - removed; got rid of

**eliminating** - removing; getting rid of

**encounter** - meeting

**encountered** - came upon; met
energy - available power; capacity for activity
English - language spoken in the U.S. and other countries around the world
enter - to come or go in
entered - came or went in
entering - coming or going in
enthusiasm - eagerness; passion; devotion
enthusiastically - eagerly; passionately
entire - whole; complete
entrance(s) - a point of entry; opening or passageway for entering
error - mistake
especially - particularly; exceptionally
esteemed - held in high regard; well respected
eternal - lasting forever
eternity - time without end
every - each; all possible
everyone - each person; all possible people
everything - all; each possible thing
evidence - that which proves or disproves something
evident - obvious
exactly - precisely; accurately
exceeding - surpassing; going beyond
excellent - extraordinary; superior
exception - a case for not conforming to a general rule
exceptional - unusual; extraordinary
exclaimed - cried out; shouted suddenly
exclusively - not admitting something else; shutting out all others
executives - person or people with supervisory authority
exist - to have life; to be
expectations - a thing looked forward to; something expected
experience - an instance of personally encountering or undergoing something
expert(s) - a person with special skills or knowledge in a field
explained - made plain; made clear
extraordinary - outstanding; unusual
extreme - the utmost or highest degree; greatest
extremely - to a high degree
English Glossary

faith - belief not based on truth
fame - renown; celebrity
family - parents and their children
famous - renowned; celebrity
fan(s) - follower; admirer
father - a male parent
fatigue - extreme tiredness
(in) favor (of) - in support of; on the side of
favorable - positive
feel - perceive; examine by touch
felt - perceived; examined by touch
female - persona of feminine gender
few - not many but more than one
field - a piece of land devoted to sports
final - coming at the end; in last place
finally - at last
financial - refers to matters concerned with money
firm - not soft; hard; stiff; rigid
firmly - rigidly; stiffly
first - being before all others in regard to order, rank, or time
floor(s) - supporting surface or structure upon which one walks
food - nourishing substance eaten or drunk
for - intended to belong to
formal - elegant
forming - serving as; making up
fortune - large amount of wealth or riches
frequently - very often
from - a preposition used to indicate source or origin
front - the part or side that faces forward
fruits - edible part of a plant developed from a flower
fulfilled - carried out; performed
furious - extremely angry
furiously - angrily
future - a time that is to come
game - a competitive activity played by two or more people according to a set of rules
general - an officer of rank
get - obtain
getting - obtaining
go - to move or proceed; to depart a place
going - moving; proceeding; departing a place
gold - precious yellow, metallic element

gone - past participle of go

good - of high quality; excellent

got - obtained

grabbed - snatched; clutched; seized suddenly

grade school - elementary school

graduated - received a degree or certificate

had - possessed; owned; auxiliary verb for past perfect tense

Haitian(s) - people from Haiti

hamburger(s) - a sandwich consisting of a patty of ground beef on a bun or roll

happily - in a happy way; with pleasure

happy - glad; delighted

hard - difficult

has - possesses; owns

hat - a covering for the head

have - possess; own

he - the male person being discussed

here - in this spot; in this place

high - exceeding the common measure; far above the ground

him - a male

his - possessive adjective meaning something belongs to him

history - a branch of knowledge dealing with past events

home - a house or apartment; residence

homemaker - a person who manages the household of his/her own family

homerun(s) - hit in baseball that allows the runner to clear all bases and score a run

honor - high respect for worth, merit, or rank

horrible - extremely unpleasant; disgusting

hospitals - a place where sick people are given medical or surgical treatment

hotel(s) - an establishment offering lodging to travelers

hour(s) - 60 minute period

house(s) - a building in which people live

hunger - desire or need for food

hungry - craving or needing food

I - pronoun referring to oneself

idea - a thought; a notion

if - whether; even though

ignore - overlook; disregard
English Glossary

ignored - overlooked; disregarded
imagined - formed a mental image of
immediately - instantly; without delay
impact - influence; effect
impatiently - not patiently
impeccable - flawless
implication(s) - something suggested or inferred
important - of great significance
importantly - significantly
impress - affect deeply
impressed - affected deeply
impressive - imposing; awesome; admirable
in - preposition used to indicate inclusion within a space)
inability - lack of ability or means
including - containing parts of a whole
incorrectly - wrongly
incredible - unbelievable
indecisive - undecided; unable to make a decision
indication - anything serving as a sign
ingenious - clever
inning - a division of a baseball game

innocent - not guilty
insisted - was emphatic; resolute
instructor - teacher
intact - whole; unbroken
integrity - sound moral character
intelligence - ability to learn, reason, and understand
intelligent - smart; quick to comprehend
intended - purposed; meant for a particular purpose
intercepted - cut off from intended destination
international - between nations
interrupted - broke the continuity of
interview - formal meeting in which one person asks questions to evaluate another
into - to the inside of
intolerable - unbearable
irony - using words to convey the meaning opposite their literal meaning
irresistible - lovable; enticing; unable to be resisted
irritated - annoyed; angered
island - piece of land surrounded by water on all sides
it - direct or indirect object used to represent an inanimate thing
javelin - a light spear thrown by hand
just - a moment before
kill - end the life of
killed - ended the life of
killing - ending the life of
kilometer(s) - unit of measure
king - male monarch
laborers - workers
lake - a large body of fresh or salt water surrounded by land
last - coming after all others
Latin America - part of the American continent south of the United States
law - rules established in a community by some authority
league(s) - a group of athletic teams who compete against one another
Major League - top level of professional baseball teams
minor league – a group professional baseball teams that prepare and train players for the Major League
leave - go out of; go away from
leaving - going out of; going away from
left - went out of; went away from
legislation - a group of laws enacted
less - fewer than
life - the state of existence
like - as; is pleased by
line - a number of people waiting one behind another for their turn
little - small
live - exist; have life; reside
lived - existed; resided
lives - exists; resides
living - existing; residing
longer - something that is considerably long in length or time
a lot - much
loved - cherished; given deep affection
machetes - large, heavy knives
made - produced
male(s) - person of masculine gender
man - full-grown or adult male human being
manager(s) - person who has control of an organization
manner - way
many - a lot; numerous
English Glossary

massacre - unnecessary killing of many humans or animals
may - word used to express possibility
mean - is defined as
medal - an award given to recognize an accomplishment
medical - dealing with medicine
military - dealing with the armed forces
minutes - 60 second period of time
misery - sorrow
modest - bashful; shy; humble
moment - instant; short period of time
money - currency
months - 12 parts into which a calendar year is divided
more - in a greater amount or quantity
most - in the greatest amount or quantity
mother - female parent
mountains - elevation of the earth’s surface rising to a summit
move - change location; go from one place of residence to another

moved - changed location; went from one place of residence to another
movement - the process of moving
much - to a great degree
my - belonging to me
name(s) - a word by which a person or thing is called
nation - a territory; a country
national - pertaining to a territory or country
needed - lacked something necessary
negro(s) - Blacks; African-Americans
nervous - worried
nervously - worriedly
new - recently came into being
next - the following in a series
normal - average; regular
normally - usually
notable - worthy of notice
notice - pay attention to
noticed - paid attention to
now - at this moment
observe - see; watch; notice
observed - saw; watched; noticed
observing - seeing; watching; noticing
obstacle(s) - difficulties to overcome
obtain - to get
obvious - easily seen or recognized
occasion(s) - a special time, event, or ceremony
of - preposition used to indicate origin or source
got off - descended from; came down from
office - a room or set of rooms used for work
official(s) - a person holding public office or having official duties
ok - fine; well
old - no longer young; having existed or lived for a long time
on - resting on; physically in contact with
once - one time
only - just
opinion - belief of view about something not necessarily based on facts
opportunity - chance
oppression - long lasting cruel treatment or control
oppressive - unfairly causing hardship especially on a minority group
options - choices
or - conjunction used to link alternatives
order - a command or instruction; request (as in food); arrange a sequence
ordered - commanded; requested; arranged in a sequence
organized - established; arranged into a structure
other - further or additional
our - belonging to us
out - baseball term indicating that one is no longer batting; having one’s turn at bat or base running ended
outfield - area of the baseball field outside of the diamond
paradise - heaven; heavenly or wonderful location
parents - father and mother
parsley - an herb often used for garnishing food
part - a piece of something; some but not all of something
participate - take part in
participation - the act of taking part in
particular - specific
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pass - move in a specific direction; elapse; transfer to someone else

passed - moved in a specific direction; transferred to someone else

passing - moving in a specific direction; transferring to someone else

past - belonging to a former time; an action or state that previously existed

patient - able to wait without becoming annoyed or anxious

people - plural form of person; more than one person

perfect - as good as can be

perfectly - in a way that could not be better

perseverance - commitment to do something in spite of difficulty

person - an individual

phenomenal - extraordinary

pitched - (in baseball) threw the ball to the batter

pitcher - baseball player who throws the ball to the batter

plan - a decision about what one will do

play - take part in an activity for enjoyment

played - took part in an activity for enjoyment

player(s) - a person who takes part in a sport or game

playing - taking part in an activity for enjoyment

police - a civil force who serve to keep order

policeman - a member of the police force

political - dealing with politics

poor - having little or no money or few possessions

popular - well liked

position - location

positive - certain; confident in opinion

possible - may exist or happen

poverty - the state of being poor; the state of being in extreme need

practice - rehearse; train

practiced - rehearsed; trained

practicing - rehearsing; training

precious - of great value; of high price

preferred - given priority; to choose before all others

preparation - the process of making ready
prepare - make ready
preparing - making ready
prestigious - held in high regard or esteem
principal - main
privilege - a right or benefit enjoyed by one person beyond the benefits of most
problem(s) - crisis; a question needing a solution
profession - job
professional(s) - an expert player among amateurs
professionally - as an expert player
progress - movement toward a goal
prohibited - forbidden
pronounce - to say in a particular or correct manner
pronounced - said in a particular or correct manner
pronunciation - producing the sounds of speech
proud - a feeling of pleasure or satisfaction because of something highly honorable
proudly - with pride or satisfaction
public - open to all persons
publication - the act of publishing a book; making public

English Glossary

racism - the idea that one’s own race is superior
racist(s) - one who believes one’s own race is superior
reacted - acted in response to
real - true; factual; existing as an actual thing
really - in reality; actually
receive(s) - get(s); obtain(s)
recognized - identified as someone previously known; acknowledged
reflection - careful consideration
repeated - said again; did again
replied - answered
represent - to present again
reputation(s) - the regard in which a person is held
resent - to feel bitter or angry
reservations - hesitations
respect - esteem for an individual; to hold someone in high esteem
respectable - worthy of high esteem
respected - held in high esteem
responded - answered
response - answer
responsible - competent; capable
restaurant(s) - location where food is served to customers
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result - consequence
resurrected - brought back to life; raised from the dead
return - come back; go back
returned - came back; went back
returning - coming back; going back
reunion - meeting; the act of uniting again
rifles - a firearm held on the shoulder
rigid - stiff
room - space; a section of the interior of a building separated by four walls
route - path; way
said - spoke; uttered
same - alike; identical to what has been said or done
sandwich(es) - two or more slices of bread with meat and/or cheese between
sat - was seated
satisfied - content; fulfilled
say - utter; speak
scene - place where an event occurs
school(s) - institution where students are taught
talent scout - one who searches for talented players to play for professional teams

sea - salt water covering part of the earth’s surface
seasons - period of the year when something normally occurs
second(s) - unit of time representing 1/60 of a minute
secret - done or made without the knowledge of others
section(s) - a distinct part or division of something
segregation - isolation from the rest of a group
select - choose
selected - chose
separately - apart; divided
service - an aid; a help
set - put something in a particular place
severe - serious; harsh
severity - seriousness; harshness
shibboleth - peculiar pronunciation or behavior that sets a group apart
signed - wrote a signature; contracted
signing - writing a signature; contracting
sincere - free of falseness; free of deceit
single - a hit that allows the runner to advance one base in baseball
sisters - female siblings; females with the same parents
sit - rest on one’s buttocks and legs
sitting - resting on one’s buttocks and legs
situation - state of affairs; condition; predicament
smell - scent or odor; to perceive an odor or scent
smelled - perceived a scent
so - in this manner; very
social - outgoing; characterized by friendly companionship with others
something - a certain, unspecified thing
son(s) - male offspring or children of the same parents
spaces - blanks; intervals
speak - talk; utter; verbally communicate
speaking - talking; uttering; verbally communicating
special - unique
specific - particular; having a special purpose or application
spectacular - outstanding
spirit - soul; intention
spoke - talked; uttered; verbally communicated
sport(s) - athletic activities
stable - not likely to fall; dependable
stadium - sports arena
started - began
station - headquarters for certain public services; place for a particular kind of work
still - motionless
stopped - ceased; discontinued
stopping - ceasing; discontinuing
store(s) - an establishment where products are sold
street - paved roadway
stress - anxiety; strain; emphasis
strong - having great physical power
student - a person engaged in learning
studies - makes an effort to gain knowledge
success - attain wealth, honors, recognition
successful - has attained wealth, honors, or recognition
suffer - feel pain or distress
suffered - felt pain or distress
suffering - feeling pain or distress
suit(s) - a set of clothing meant to be worn together
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tradition - established or passed down way of thinking or system of beliefs
tragedy - disaster, catastrophe
train - develop habits; make proficient by practice and instruction
trained - made proficient by practice and instruction
trainer(s) - one who helps athletes become proficient through instruction
training - making proficient through practice and instruction
transformed - changed
transition - passage or change from one state, condition, or concept to another
tremendous - extraordinary in size, amount, or intensity; dreadful
tremendously - dreadfully
tropical - from or of the tropics
typical - normal; usual
understand - to comprehend; get the meaning of
understanding - comprehending; getting the meaning of
understood - comprehended; got the meaning of

unfortunately - regrettably
uniform(s) - an identical set of clothing used to identify those belonging to a group
unimaginable - inconceivable; unable to be imagined
united - joined
university - institution of learning; highest level of education
until - up to the time of
up - a more elevated position
use - employ for some purpose; utilize
used - employed for some purpose; utilized
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vacation - a period of rest or travel in which work or study is suspended
valley - a depression or lowland between hills
various - two or more things differing from one another
versus - against
very - extremely
victories - wins
violent - uncontrolled strong, rough force
visa - document allowing a passport holder from one country to enter another
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vision - sight

visit - go and stay with; to come or go to

voice - sounds uttered through the mouth

vote - expression of opinion or choice; the means (ballot) of expressing one’s choice

voted - expressed one’s opinion or choice

wait - remaining inactive until something happens

waited - remained inactive until something happened

waiting - remaining inactive until something happens

want - desire

wanted - desired

was - past tense of to be

we - subject pronoun representing first person plural

wear - to have on the body as a covering

wearing - having on the body as a covering

week(s) - period(s) of 7 days

well - good; satisfactory

went - simple past tense of go

were - past tense of to be, 2nd person / 3rd person plural

what - interrogative used to ask for specific information

when - interrogative used to ask about a period of time; how long ago

where - interrogative used to determine in what place or location

while - during the time that; a period of time

white(s) – word used to describe light skinned people; Caucasian

who - interrogative used to find out which person

will - auxiliary verb used to talk about future actions or events

win - be victorious; conquer

winning - being victorious; conquerering

with - accompanied by

without - not with; free from

won - was victorious

wondered - speculated; was curious about

wood - hard substance consisting of the stem and branches of a tree

word(s) - unit of language consisting of a specific set of sounds

work - labor

worked - labored
working - laboring
works - labors
would - auxiliary verb, simple
       past of will
yea - slang for yes
year(s) - period(s) of 365 days
yell - shout; scream
yelled - shouted; screamed
your - belonging to you