

**With your partner, read the conversations twice. Change parts so that both of you read both parts. Underline any phrases you don't understand.**

Mika: Excuse me. I'm sorry to interrupt, but I'm lost. Can you tell me where the Fed Ex office is. There was supposed to be one on Brodie, but I can't find it.

Jane: You're on the wrong side of the street. It's in the shopping center across Brodie. It's right next to the Barnes and Noble bookstore.

Mika: Oh. Thank you.

Jane: You can't cross the street here. You'll have to go up to the intersection.

Jen: Excuse me. My car won't start. I think my battery is dead. Could you give me a jump?

Man: Yeah, I guess so. Do you have jumper cables?

Jen: I have some in the trunk.

Man: Do you know how to attach them?

Jen: No, I'm afraid not. My husband usually does the car maintenance.

Man: Pop your hood and I'll take care of it. Ok, the cables are attached. Try to start your car.

Jen: Nothing is happening.

Man: Let me run my engine. That should help. OK. Now try again.

Jen: Oh yes, it started. Thank you so much. Will you let me pay you?

Man: No, that's not necessary. Happy to help out.

Sam: I just took my wife to the emergency room. She's having a baby. Can I leave my car here?

Policewoman: No. This is just the driveway for drop-offs.

Sam: Can I park on the street?

Policewoman: No. There is a lot behind the hospital. Go around to the back of the building.

Sam: Is the parking free?

Policewoman: There is a charge. The hospital may validate your parking ticket for the first 24 hours. After that, you'll have to pay. Take a ticket when you go in and you pay on the way out.

Sam: Do they take credit cards?

Policewoman: I'm pretty sure they do, but you can ask inside the hospital.

**Pronunciation:** Today we'll work on **multi-syllable words**. To pronounce multi-syllable words, look up the stressed syllable. There will be a mark just above and before the syllable to be stressed.

EX: predictable (pri 'dikt ebel)

The stressed syllable is always pronounced louder than the unstressed syllables.

Listen: pre DICT able. Say: pre dict able. If something is predictable, it is obvious in advance and will happen. EX: The election results in the state of Texas are **predictable** because a majority of Texans always vote for the Republican candidate.

Let's work on some other words. **With your partner**, use your dictionary to mark the stressed syllable. Write the definition. Pronounce the word. Read the sample sentence. Write a sentence with the word.

### **underestimate**

definition:

sample: We underestimated how much tax we should pay.

your sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

**pronunciation**

definition:

sample: We work on pronunciation in every class.

your sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

**catastrophe**

definition:

sample: War is always a catastrophe for civilians.

your sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

**refrigerator**

definition:

sample: We keep meat and eggs in the refrigerator.

your sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

**frequently**

definition:

sample: She frequently walks to work.

your sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

**temperature**

definition:

sample: The temperature in Austin today will be in the 70's.

your sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

**atmosphere**

definition:

sample: The clouds show there is a lot of moisture in the atmosphere. The atmosphere at the debate was tense.

your sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

**DISCUSS IN SMALL GROUP**

1. What is one thing that is in your refrigerator that is unusual?
2. Can you walk into a room and tell what the atmosphere is like?
3. What's the worst catastrophe you've heard about lately?