



Words, words, words ...

Read the text and the vocabulary boxes, when necessary.



(to) be impressed
by = when you
think "WOW!"

(to) be judged by =
(to) decide that
someone is good
or bad

death = the result
of being killed

(to) make a speech
on sth. = someone
speaks to an audi-
ence in public

(to) do research on
sth. = the activity
of getting infor-
mation about sth.

(to) turn up/ down
the volume = (to)
make sth. sound
louder or more
quiet

Very often Madison's mom is very im-
pressed by the things she sees and hears
at work. She interviews people and gets a
lot of information. She talks to white peo-
ple, Native Americans, as well as African
Americans. She basically talks to everyone
who has to tell a story. Many African
Americans and Native Americans tell her
that they are judged by their skin colour.
They say many people see nothing but the
colour of their skin. They don't like this at
all. Unfortunately, Mrs Young has to report
about death and violence, too. There is a
famous death of an African American in
America. His name is Dr. Martin Luther
King, Jr. He made a lot of speeches on hu-
man rights.

Her mom also works in an office where she
does a lot of research on her topics. When
she comes home from work, Madison some-
times turns up the volume too much. So,
Mrs Young takes the remote control and
turns it down. They receive a lot of chan-
nels, because they have a satellite dish on
their roof.

African American =
black people
whose origins are
in Africa

skin = your body is
covered with it

but = unless
(sondern)

right = sth. a per-
son should have,
get, or do

remote control =
you need it to
change the chan-
nel on your TV

(to) receive = (to)
get

satellite dish = sth.
you need to re-
ceive TV pro-
grammes