

## **Proper Logging Out**

Stress to students that they must log out by using the **Quit Button**, not by using the "x" in the right hand top corner. (The result will be incorrect data on the reports that record sessions.)

## **Understanding the Reading Zone**

Please stress to students that if this process is used during the Reading Zone, they will move more quickly through the Reading Zone because they are working more efficiently. Feel free to use the tips below to create a student-friendly document.

Daily expectation for students who are working in the Reading Zone is to answer the three Quick Check Questions. They should not leave the zone until they have done so. The steps below will ensure they get those three questions each day.

- 1. View the video in the Reading Zone. Watch the video on the first day you start a new segment, and watch the video at least two more days.
- 2. The first day with a new passage, the narrator will read the passage to you. While she reads, you should follow along. If it is not your first day with the passage, you need to read the passage using the Word, Phrase, Practice or Record buttons. See #4 below for more information.
- 3. If you do not see the Go On button in the bottom right corner, then you need to do more work to move on. Do not exit the Reading Zone because you are not finished! You'll notice some highlighted words-click on one and listen to the pronunciation of the word. You can also get the definition of the word. Pay attention because it may be one of the questions you'll be asked in Quick Check section. Click on at least two of the highlighted words. [Note: At least one Power Word must be clicked on to obtain the Go One button to unlock the Quick Check questions.]
- 4. If you still don't see the Go On button, use the Word, Phrase, Practice or Record buttons to re-read the passage. Word will highlight each word and read the passage to you word by word. Phrase will highlight phrases and read phrase by phrase. Practice will highlight in phrases, but you'll have to read it by yourself. If you click Record, you'll make a practice recording that you can listen to and do a fluency self-evaluation. Read the passage all the way to the end to be sure you get the Go On button, regardless of which button you use to read the passage.
- 5. Once you click the Go On button, you'll get three Quick Check Questions. Two of these questions are comprehension questions, and one is vocabulary. <u>Your grade comes from the first answer you submit to the computer, so be sure to try your best the first time</u>. If you don't get the correct answer the first time, Ty will continue to let you choose answers until you find the correct one, but your grade is already determined by that first answer.
- 6. After you answer your three questions, you'll see a screen with some of your data, including how many words you've read and how you're doing with your reading skills.

For more information on the Reading Zone, or any other Zone, please see your Software Overview brochure, which was in the Professional Development section of your Next Generation Teacher Bookshelf.