

The Weekend - F1 Racing (C0077)

A: Welcome back racing fans! My name is Rick Fields and, as always, I am joined by my partner in crime, Bob Copeland.

B: We're in the last stretch of this very exciting race, and Kimi Rikknen is leading the pack with only four laps to go! They are heading to turn three and Lewis Hamilton tries to pass Rikknen! It's a close one and, oh no! Hamilton hits the wall!

A: He came in too fast, jammed on the breaks and spun out. We have a yellow flag and the pace car is making its way onto the track.

B: The cleanup crew is towing the heavily damaged car and the green flag drops! Rikknen is still in the lead with only two laps to go!

A: Smoke is coming out of his car! He seems to be having engine trouble! He makes his way into the pit, and Fernando Alonso takes the lead!

B: How unlucky for Rikknen, and this race is over ladies and gentlemen, Alonso takes the checkered flag!

Key Vocabulary

partner crime	in	<i>phrase</i>	a person you always do things together with
stretch		<i>common noun, sin- gular</i>	the final time period
to go		<i>phrase</i>	left to complete
jam on the breaks		<i>phrase</i>	to hit or step on the breaks quickly and forcefully
spin out		<i>phrase</i>	(a car) slides and makes a turn rapidly in an uncontrolled way

pace car	<i>common noun, singular</i>	the car used when accidents happen which leads other cars but is not a competitor in the face
yellow flag	<i>common noun, singular</i>	the sign use in F1 race to show there is an accident on the track
cleanup crew	<i>common noun, singular</i>	the group of people who clean the track
green flag	<i>common noun, singular</i>	the sign used in an F1 race to show that the race is back to the normal state
take the lead	<i>phrase</i>	be in the first position
checkered flag	<i>common noun, singular</i>	a flag with black and white squares showing someone has won

Supplementary Vocabulary

rev	<i>verb</i>	cause an engine to run very quickly
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title	<i>common noun, sin- gular</i>	the status of winning a championship in a sport
aerodynamic	<i>Adjective</i>	the quality of moving easily through the air
motorhead	<i>common noun, sin- gular</i>	a person who loves cars and car racing (Am.E)
qualifying round	<i>common noun, sin- gular</i>	the race that deter- mines who will be able to participate in the main race
pole position	<i>phrase</i>	the front position in a car race