Taped confession adds to trial drama

A tape recording of Dorchester Harris confessing to the March double murder of a West Bloomfield couple was played Tuesday in Oakland County Circuit Court.

tions three days after the killings. "I'm telling you that I committed that homi-cide." Harris has pleaded not guilty for ex-sons of self-defense to charges of first degree murder in the March 13 killings of Donald and Mary Lou Freedman, 2329 Horseshoe Drive. The bodies were discovered by Mrs. Freedman's five-year-old son. Brian

Glonka, in the living room of the fami-ly's township home.

The Freedmans had multiple stab wounds in the neck and throat. Their hands and feet were bound with coat hangers. Drugs, particularly cocaine, and the apparatus for using them, were nearby, police report.

THE CONFESSION, prompted and

taped by West Bloomfield Detective Lt.
Wayne Alien and Detective Sgt. Bruce
Slebert of the Michigan State Police,
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Long Charles of the Michigan State Police Office,
Harris, 49, of Detroit was arrested in Toledo for shooting a gun in a motel.
When evidence linking him to the double murders was found in a routine search of his car, West Bloomfield police were called to Toledo.
On the tape, Harris portrayed as scene in which he felt his life was threatened.
According to the tape, Harris went to the Freedman home around noon, March 13 hoping to straighten out a problem over a drug transaction.
March 13 hoping to straighten out a problem over a drug transaction of the Michigan State Preedman, and you had sold drugs for Freedman, and you had sold drugs for Freedman, and the guaranteeing that a client would pay Freedman for some drugs. When the person left town with

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Good vocabulary and speaking skills
help a child learn to read, teachers
client

out paying, Freedman pressed Harris for immediate payment, according to Harris's account.

"I told him I couldn't get the mongy," Harris said on the tape. "I got grandpables. I got my wife. I got everybody,"

According to Harris' account, Freedman refused to take time payments from Harris.

Harris said he was convinced Freedman was planning to have him killed.

"All I know is he had a contract out on me, because he never denied it," said Harris on the tape. "I thought if I could talk to him he would see my side of things. I couldn't talk to him."

ALTHOUGH THE TAPE recording of Harris' comments was, at times, difficult to hear, he depicted a struggle for a folding knife which was on a table in the Freedman's living room.

When Mrs. Freedman joined in the struggle, Harris stabbed her and then stabbed her husband, according to the

Table and the said on the recording to the tape.

"I don't know if they were dead or not," he said on the recording, "I don't know how many times I stabbed them."

Harris then returned to his home for clothing. He may have spent a night in another Detroit residence before driving to Toledon.

another Detroit residence before driv-ing to Toledo.

In the tape recording, Harris con-firmed that he fired the shots in the To-ledo motel because he believed there was still a contract out on his life and that some

that someone may come be get him.

In testimony Monday, Toledo police confirmed Harris was "very scared," when they were called to the motel because of a reported disturbance.

HARRIS SOUGHT the police out, and made no attempt to run away, they exist

Reading education blooms child, sometimes their words of encour-agement make the first grader worry that he won't be liked as well at home if he doesn't learn to read quickly, Mrs.

"Reading isn't a chore, it isn't some-thing that you must learn to do here, now, in the first grade," she said. "It's something that gives you plea-sure. It's something that will work for

At Flanders, Mrs. Spencer's com-

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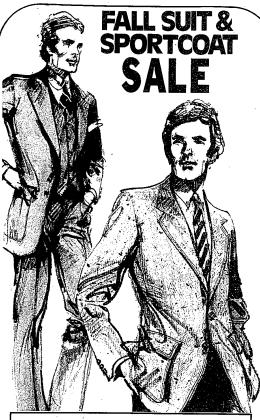
rhymes, children play word games which acquaint them with the different sounds of each letter.

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