1 A text message to a friend

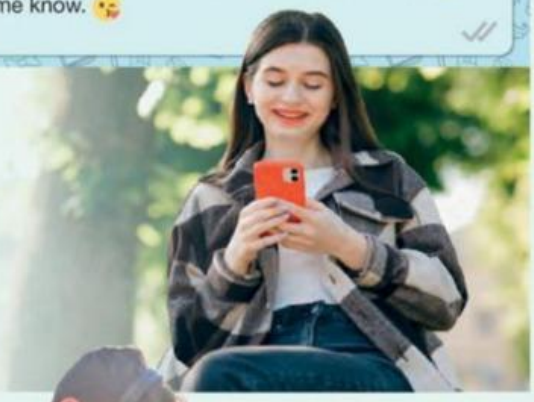
LO Write a text message

Writing Skills

1 Read Lily's message. When is Megan's birthday?

Lily Barnes

Hey Leo. How are you?
I usually play sports on weekends, but today I'm spending the weekend with Emma.
It's hot and sunny, so we're having a cookout in my yard at the moment! We're having fun!
Tomorrow, the weather forecast is warm but rainy.
That's OK! We're having a surprise party for Megan because it's her birthday. Don't tell her!
We're making a cake and we're planning the playlist.
What are you doing tomorrow? Are you coming?
Let me know.





2 Complete the chart for Lily.

Usually on the weekend	0 play sports
This weekend	1
Weather today	2 ,
Activity now	3
Tomorrow's weather	4 ,
Activity tomorrow	5

Active Writers
Using words to connect sentences

Active writers use **and**, **but**, **because** and **so** to connect sentences. They use:

- **and** to connect similar information.
  *On Saturdays, I play soccer **and** hang out with friends.*
- **but** to contrast information.
  *I like music, **but** I don't like fashion.*
- **because** to give reasons.
  *Fall is my favorite season **because** the colors change.*
- **so** to talk about the results of actions or situations.
  *It's very cold, **so** wear a coat and a hat.*

3 Read the tip. Underline sentences with *and, but, because,* and *so* in Lily's message.

4 Complete the sentences with *and, but, because,* or *so.*

0 In the winter, we stay home and watch movies.
1 In Australia, fall begins in March, _____ in the U.S. it begins in September.
2 I'm seeing my grandparents tomorrow _____ it's my grandpa's birthday.
3 The weather is hot and sunny, _____ I'm hanging out at the beach.
4 It's raining today, _____ it isn't cold.
5 Summer is my favorite season _____ it's always sunny.
6 In the spring, the weather is windy _____ it rains every day.
7 It's cold outside, _____ let's watch the soccer game on TV.

5 Copy and complete the chart in exercise 2 with your weekend plans.

6 Write a message to a friend about your weekend plans.

- Use the information in your chart in exercise 5.
- Use *and, but, because,* and *so.*
- Ask about your friend's weekend plans.

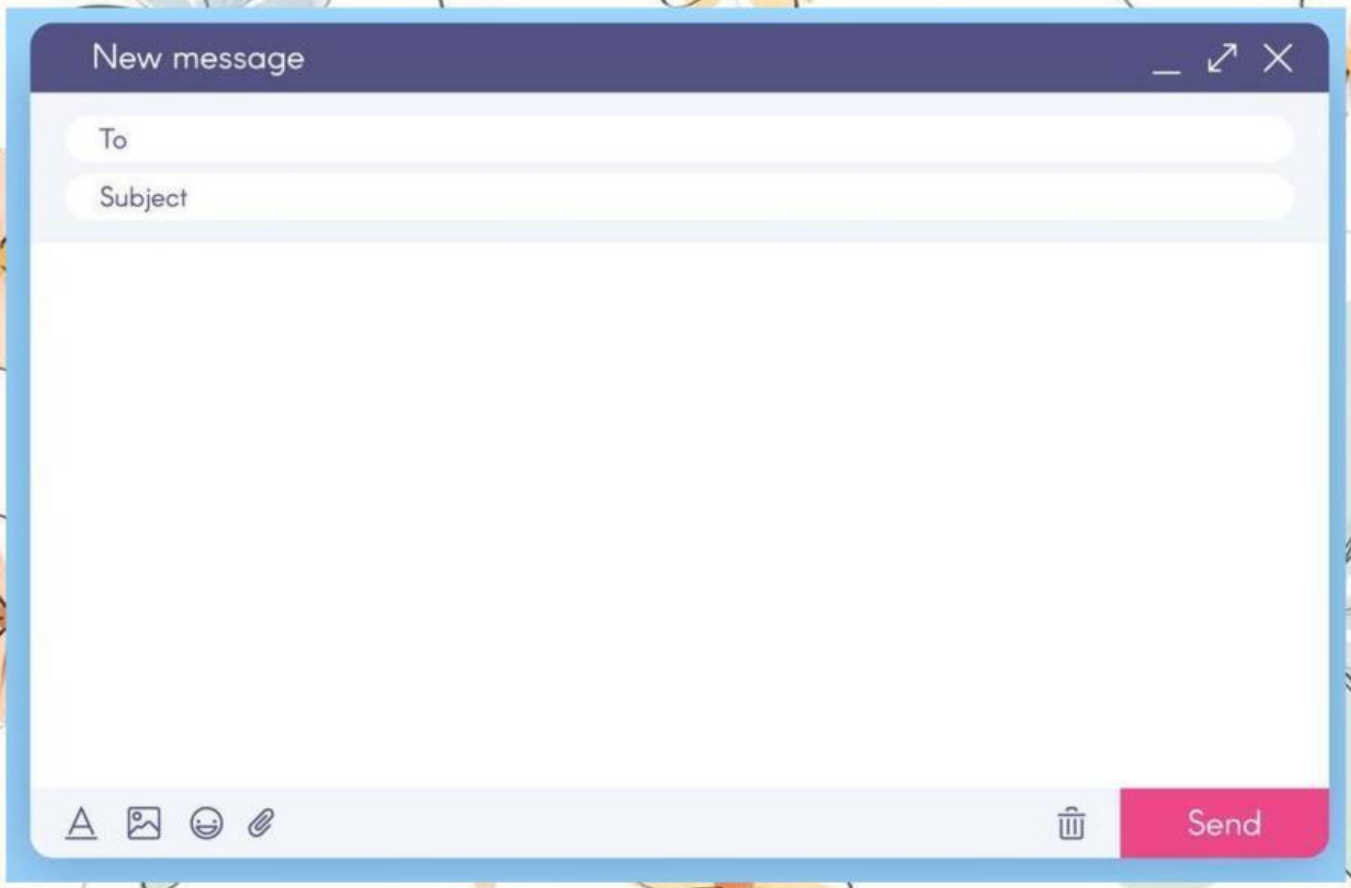


LIVEWORKSHEETS

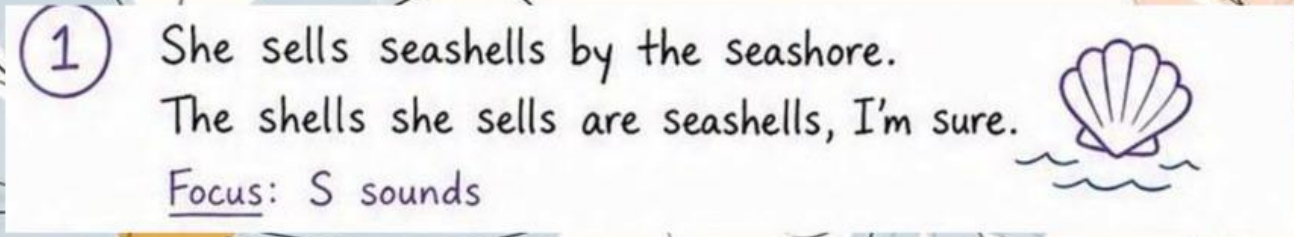
7. Complete the chart with your weekend plans

Usually on the weekend	
This weekend	
Weather today	
Activity now	
Tomorrow's weather	
Actvity tomorrow	

8. Write a message to a friend about your weekend plans. Remember to use and, but, and, so.



CHALLENGE: SAY THE TONGUE TWISTER



LIVEWORKSHEETS