

Reading for Gist

Reading Skill-Building



- **Reading for Gist** means reading to understand the main idea (what the text is mostly about).
- You do not need to understand every word or every detail.
- You look for important details to help them understand the main idea. For example, if a person writes about traffic, missing the bus, or waiting at the doctor's office, the main idea may be that **the person will be late..**

Instructions

1. Look at the messages below and on the next pages.
 2. Choose what each message is mostly about.
 2. Choose the best answer (a, b, or c).
- (Instructors: click [here](#) for answers)

Message #1

This message is mostly about:

- a) Tesfay will be absent
- b) Tesfay will come to school
- c) Tesfay will go shopping

Hi, Ahmad.
This is Tesfay.
I have a headache 🤒.
I will not come to class today.
See you on Monday.
Thx.



Message #2

This message is mostly about:

- a) asking a question
- b) inviting Tesfay to class
- c) saying feel better

Hi Tesfay.

I am sorry to hear that.

I hope you feel better.

I will see you on Monday.

Get well soon!

Message #3

This message is mostly about:

- a) Eden will be late for class
- b) Eden will go shopping
- c) Eden will stay home

Hello Bibi.

This is Eden.

I have an appointment
at 9:00 so I will be late for
class. I will come at 10:30.

Can you tell the teacher
please? 🙏



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Message #4

This message is mostly about:

- a) asking for help
- b) saying sorry
- c) saying yes

Hi Eden.

Sure, I can tell the teacher. 👍

See you at 10:30!

Message #5

This message is mostly about:

- a) having a class party
- b) having a birthday
- c) having no class today

Good morning, Anab.

This is John.

The school is closed today, so there is no class.

See you tomorrow.

