

## Reading Comprehension Worksheet

Read the following passage and then answer the questions at the end of the sheet

### Adult Responsibilities

- Making and going to a doctor's appointment
- Communicating with family & employer

You live in Iowa City and you are working at a job that provides you with health insurance. You have gone to the office for yearly check ups and know your doctor well. One morning you wake up feeling sick. Once you get out of bed your head and throat start to hurt and you are hot to the touch. You know that you have work later today but do not feel like you will be able to make it. You first call your boss to let her know that you will not be able to make it. You say "Good Morning Jennifer, how are you doing?"

She replies "I'm doing good, how about you?"

"Not so good, which is why I am calling. I do not think I will be able to come in today because I am feeling very sick right now and do not want to spread anything."

"Thank you for letting me know. I agree that you should rest today and stay home. I will find somebody to cover for you."

"Thank you and I hope that it works out."

Then you hang up the phone.

After hanging up the phone you look for the number for your doctor to see if they are available for an appointment today. When you find it you give them a call to find out.

"Good morning, this is Andrew with the Doctor's office how may I help you?" .

"Good morning Andrew," you reply "I am calling to see if Dr. Johnson is available for an appointment today? I woke up this morning feeling sick and wanted to get looked at to make sure it is not anything serious."

"Yes, I do believe there is an opening today! Does 2 p.m. work for you?"

"Yes, that sounds good. I will see you then!"

"Alright, you are good to go. Is there anything else I can help you with?" Andrew says.

"No, thank you. Goodbye!" You reply and end the call.

Although you are still feeling sick you now feel a little better knowing that you can rest today and you have an appointment to find out how to get better. A few minutes later your son, Jonathan, wakes up. Normally you drop Jonathan off at school on your way to work but today you do not think that you will be able to drive.

"Good morning Jonathan!"

"Good morning Mom! How are you doing?" he replies

"I am okay, but I am feeling under the weather today. Do you think that you can take the bus today to get to school?"

"Sure! I have not used it often but I know that the bus stop is close to the house and can get there myself."

"That's great son! Thank you for being flexible today!"

You make sure that Jonathan has his backpack and lunch for school and then he leaves a little early to make sure that he does not miss the bus. After Jonathan leaves you get some water and head back to your room to rest until your appointment. At 1:15 p.m. your alarm goes off and you start to get ready for your appointment. When you get to your appointment you find out that you have a fever and will need to take some medicine everyday for the next 3 days and drink lots of water. Also your doctor asks you to take off of work for a while to avoid spreading the illness. After leaving the doctor you head to the pharmacy to get your medicine and then back to your house to rest some more. However on the way back to your house you get a call from the school. It's Jonathan. He says

"Hey Mom, I hope you are feeling better. I am calling because I just found out that I will need a ride home from school because the bus broke down today."

"Hi Jonathan, I am on my way back from the doctor right now and will head over to pick you up now."

"That sounds good! I will be ready when you get here."

"Sounds good, See you in a bit!"

You are still tired but head over to the school to pick up Jonathan and make sure he gets home. When you get there he is waiting in front of the school for you and once you are parked he gets in the car.

“Hey Mom! How was your day?”

“It’s been good because I have been able to rest and get some medicine to start to feel better. How about you?”

“It was good too. I had classes which were long but pretty interesting we learned about the history of ancient Egypt today. The pyramids are awesome!”

“That’s good to hear! For dinner tonight I am feeling a bit too tired to cook so how does pizza sound?”

“That’s good with me! Let’s get pepperoni with peppers on it.”

“Ok Jonathan, let’s order it when we get back home.”

When you make it back to your house you give your boss a call to let her know that you will be unable to go to work for the next couple of days. She thanks you for letting her know and asks you to let her know when you will be able to start working again. After you finish you give the phone to Jonathan so he can order the pizza and then you eat and take your medicine. Finally you get ready for bed feeling a bit tired but satisfied that you have taken care of everything that you need to get done.

Answer the following questions on the story above.

- 1.) In the story who is the first person you make a call to
  - a.) Pizza company
  - b.) Doctor’s Office
  - c.) Your boss at work
- 2.) What time is the doctor’s appointment you made
  - a.) 11:00a.m.
  - b.) 2:00p.m.
  - c.) 1:15p.m.
- 3.) What does the doctor say is causing you to feel sick
  - a.) Strep Throat
  - b.) Fever

- c.) Chicken Poc
- 4.) What toppings were picked to go on the pizza
  - a.) Pepperoni and Peppers
  - b.) Bacon and Ham
  - c.) Just Pepperoni