

**Level 2.0**

## 911 Saves Lives

1. Chris is five years old.
2. He was afraid because he tried to wake his dad, but his dad wouldn't wake up. Chris was the only one at home to help his dad.
3. Chris called 911.
4. Dad went to the hospital because he was very sick.
5. Chris is a hero because he saved his dad's life by calling 911.

## Asking Questions

1. Marge has worked at her job for one year.
2. Marge asks her boss if "this is a good time to talk" because it's a respectful and kind thing to do; she does not want to interrupt him.
3. She asks about her vacation time for this year and next year.
4. Reply means to answer or say something in return.
5. Marge's boss likes when he workers ask questions. He wants them to have correct information.

## Buckle-Up!

1. Buckle means to join or fasten to ends of something together.
2. The eight year old son died.
3. He died five months ago.
4. The driver of the oncoming car had fallen asleep and crossed over the center line.
5. Seat belts save lives.

Citizenship – A Dream  
Come True

1. Mee becomes a U.S. citizen.
2. The program takes place at the courthouse.
3. Mee's friends have a party for her
4. Mee puts her papers in a fire-proof, lock box because she wants them to be safe and easy to find.
5. As a citizen, Mee can vote, and she can get a passport.

## A Free Shot Clinic

1. The free shot clinic is held on the third Monday of each month.
2. Dawn wants to take her baby to the shot clinic because he needs a hepatitis shot.
3. Dawn soothes her baby with calm voice and gentle touch.
4. The baby is due for his next shot in two months.
5. Dawn feels good about protecting her baby from diseases, specifically hepatitis.

## A Great Day for a Drive

1. Bob was singing his favorite song from the radio.
2. Bob saw flashing red lights.
3. 3, 2, 1, 4 – First, Bob slowed down; second, Bob stopped his car; third, Bob turned off the radio; fourth, Bob rolled down his window.
4. Bob stopped his car on the shoulder, or edge, of the road.

5. Lucky means having good fortune or success, something good is happening.

#### High Gas Prices

1. Don needs to fill his car's gas tank because his gas gauge is almost on empty.
2. Don has less money for food and clothes because higher gas prices have forced him to spend more money on gas.
3. Conserve means to protect or use less of something; to not be wasteful.
4. He is carpooling with others, and instead of driving to the store for one or two items, he is waiting until he has a long list of shopping needs. He is also doing more walking and biking.
5. The higher price of gas has helped Don's health. In an effort to not use his car, he is doing more biking and walking.

#### Joan's Home

1. Seven people live in Joan's home.
2. There are four bedrooms in Joan's house.
3. There are two bathrooms in Joan's house.
4. Joan and her oldest daughter cook the meals.
5. A task is a job or duty, work that needs to be done.

#### Looking for a Job

1. Sam is looking for a job.
2. Sam works at a store.
3. Juan looked for jobs in the local newspaper and stores, at the public library, and at the Work Force Center.
4. The Workforce Center is a place that helps people find jobs.
5. Juan found a job.

#### A Move

1. Joe and Rose are moving to St. Cloud.
2. They are moving because Joe got a new job in St. Cloud.
3. Joe wants to get a map of the city and a St. Cloud newspaper.
4. Rose suggests using the Internet.
5. Rose can use a computer at the library.

#### My Library Card

1. Nan and her children are at the library.
2. Nan is getting a library card.
3. Nan writes her name, address, phone number, and the county in which she lives on the form.
4. The clerk writes Nan's driver's license number on the form.
5. Nan is proud because she now has her own library card, and she and her children have many good books to take home and read.

- A Note to the Teacher
1. Tim is going to the dentist.
  2. It is time for his six month cleaning and check-up.
  3. His mom is taking him to the dentist.
  4. Tim's mom wrote a note to the teacher telling her about the dentist appointment.
  5. When mom got to school, she went to the office first.
- A Reluctant Doctor's Visit
1. Meg is tired and often thirsty. She does not feel like her "normal" self.
  2. Meg is afraid to go to the doctor because she is fearful of the doctor's diagnosis; she fears "he may find a disease."
  3. Norm wants her to see a doctor because he wants her to get the help she needs to feel better.
  4. Meg has diabetes.
  5. The doctor tells Meg her diabetes can be managed by diet and exercise.
- Remember Your Passengers
1. The story takes place in the summer.
  2. Kim is rushing because she got up late and is trying to get to work on time.
  3. To forget means to not remember something or someone.
  4. Kim needed to take her baby to daycare.
  5. A child who is left in a hot car can die.
- A Safe Shopping Trip
1. Pam puts her baby in a car seat because she wants her baby to be safe.
  2. The safest place for a child is in the back seat.
  3. Children over age 12 can sit in the front seat of the car.
  4. Rear means the back, or back part.
  5. Kim can face the front of the car when she is 20 pounds and can sit up well.
- Save Money on Your Telephone Bill
1. The "amount due" is the sum of money you must pay to the company that sends you the bill. In this case, it is the amount of money you need to pay the phone company for your phone service.
  2. To save money on long distance calls you can use your cell phone if you have free minutes, or send an email or write a letter.
  3. Going over your limited minutes can cost you a lot of money.
  4. Answers will vary – students may have a variety of extra phone services.
  5. Answers will vary – students will have different long distance habits.

- Spring
1. A nest is a bird's home. Often made of twigs, grass and mud, it's the place birds lay eggs and raise their young.
  2. Some signs of spring are: new grass, new flowers, new leaves, spring rains, warmer weather, longer periods of daylight, smell of fresh earth and air, and birds that have returned from their winter homes.
  3. Sue loves to hear the chirping of birds.
  4. April has spring rains; April showers bring May flowers.
  5. Shed means b. – To take off.
- Step by Step
1. Pam has passed four of the GED tests.
  2. Pam's last test is the writing test.
  3. She is dreading it. She does not think she will do well on it.
  4. Pam will learn the steps of brainstorming, writing, and revising.
  5. Practice means doing something again and again in order to become better at it.
- A Stolen Wallet
1. Paul was playing soccer.
  2. Paul's wallet was stolen.
  3. Paul called the police first.
  4. Paul called the bank to place a hold on his checking account so that no one could access money from his account.
  5. Paul learned to always keep his wallet with him – to never leave it alone.
- This Land is Our Land
1. Woody Guthrie wrote "This Land is Your Land".
  2. The land is for all of us – you and me.
  3. The land is golden – golden valley.
  4. California and New York are the two states in the song.
  5. One state is on the west coast and the other is on the east coast. "This Land is Your Land" is about California, New York, and all the land in between.
- Understanding One Another
1. Val and Reem meet at work in the break room.
  2. Reem does not speak much English.
  3. Val repeats questions and points to things to in order to help Reem better understand her.
  4. Reem nods her head to show that she understands Val.
  5. Reem has worked at the turkey plant one month. Val has worked at the turkey plant one week.