Before You Share

Evaluate a community post for its readers and purpose.

11.DL.15 "Analyze digital texts and evaluate their effectiveness in terms of subject, occasion, audience, purpose, tone, and credibility."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline details that show who needs this post and what its writer wants readers to do. Circle two details that help you judge its credibility, and number one detail a reader should verify before acting.

A Cooling Room Notice

1. **Harbor Point Public Library | Community feed | July 17, 2026, 10 a.m.** Hot afternoons are making it hard to stay comfortable, especially if your home has no air conditioning. From July 17 through July 19, the Main Branch meeting room will be open as a cooling space from noon to 6 p.m. You do not need a library card to enter. If you are looking after a neighbor or family member, please pass this post along. The room has water, chairs, and outlets, but staff cannot provide medical care. Call emergency services if someone shows signs of a medical emergency.

2. This notice is for residents who need a cool place and for people helping them get there. We have pinned it to the top of our community feed so it is easier to find than a comment buried in a thread. Please check the library's hours page before leaving home, since severe weather or a building problem could change access. If the room fills, staff will direct visitors to other public spaces when possible. The nearest bus stop is two blocks away, but this post does not list bus routes or say whether buses run in the evening.

3. The linked National Weather Service heat-safety page recommends spending time in air-conditioned places during extreme heat. That page supports the health advice, not the Main Branch schedule. Our hours page lists the current room schedule; this post was last updated at 10 a.m. on July 17. We will add changes to the top of this post, not just in replies, so readers do not have to search the comments. If you share a screenshot, include the date and link to the live post. A screenshot without them might keep circulating after the room closes.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What is the post's subject, and why does the occasion make a community feed a useful place to publish it?

2. Who are two intended audiences, and what does the writer want each to do?

3. How does the post's tone support its purpose? Use one detail from the text.

4. How credible is the post as a guide to the room's hours? Explain what its source can confirm and what readers still need to check.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write an 85 to 105 word message to a neighborhood group deciding whether to share this post. Evaluate its subject, occasion, intended audience, purpose, tone, and credibility, then recommend one specific check before sharing.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline details that show who needs this post and what its writer wants readers to do. Circle two details that help you judge its credibility, and number one detail a reader should verify before acting. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What is the post's subject, and why does the occasion make a community feed a useful place to publish it?	**It announces a temporary cooling room during hot afternoons. A community feed can spread the time-sensitive notice to residents and their neighbors.**
2	Who are two intended audiences, and what does the writer want each to do?	**Residents who need a cool place should check the hours and visit. People helping neighbors or family members should pass along the post.**
3	How does the post's tone support its purpose? Use one detail from the text.	**Its calm, practical tone helps readers act on the notice. For example, it gives hours and explains that no library card is needed.**
4	How credible is the post as a guide to the room's hours? Explain what its source can confirm and what readers still need to check.	**The library is a relevant source for its own schedule, but the National Weather Service page supports only the heat advice. Because access could change, readers should check the library's current hours page.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

I would share this post with a note to check for updates first. Its subject is a temporary cooling room, and its occasion is a stretch of hot afternoons. Residents without air conditioning and neighbors helping them are its main audience. The calm, practical tone supports its purpose by making the directions easy to use. The library can speak for its own room schedule, while the National Weather Service link supports only the heat advice. The date and promised updates improve credibility, but a screenshot could become outdated. Before sharing, I would check the live hours page for changes.

Accept supported judgments that distinguish the library's schedule information from the National Weather Service heat advice. Students may identify the live post, rather than the hours page, as the specific check before sharing.