

Word Messages

Students choose and write short words that communicate a message.

ELA.1.C.1 "Communicating Through Writing"

NAME _____

DATE _____

Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

1 CHOOSE A WORD _____

a	hello	help	thanks
b	hello	help	thanks
c	hello	help	thanks

2 WRITE A MESSAGE _____

HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Read each situation and every choice aloud, then give students time to circle or write. Here, communicating through writing means using a short word to share a simple message with another person.

Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

PART 1 • CHOOSE A WORD

SAY “Listen to each situation. I will read the words in each row. Which word would communicate your message?”

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	You see a friend and want to greet your friend. The words are hello, help, and thanks. Which word would you write? Circle it.	hello
b	You need someone to come help you. The words are hello, help, and thanks. Which word would you write? Circle it.	help
c	Someone gives you something, and you want to be polite. The words are hello, help, and thanks. Which word would you write? Circle it.	thanks

PART 2 • WRITE A MESSAGE

SAY “Look at the first box, you see a friend, what word can you write to greet your friend? Look at the second box, you need someone to come help, what word can you write? Look at the third box, someone gives you something, what word can you write to show thanks?”

- Box 1: **hello**
- Box 2: **help**
- Box 3: **thanks**

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Circle answers are hello, help, and thanks. In the boxes, accept those words in order, including clear phonetic spellings that communicate the intended message.