

Getting the Message

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- 1 A complex sentence has two main parts. A comma is often used to separate the two parts to help make the meaning clear. The second sentence part doesn't make sense without the first sentence part. Use the page numbers to find the complex sentences below. Add the comma and write the second part of each sentence.

a (Page 6) Hieroglyphs were drawn on papyrus

b (Page 7) A reed pen with a wedge-shaped tip was used to make imprints on soft clay

c (Page 8) Some of the first books were copied out by hand on parchment

- 2 The suffix 'ion' means 'the act of'. Many words in the 'Getting the Message' have the 'ion' suffix. Complete the table below to show the word meanings. Two examples have been completed for you.

Word	Word meaning
Operation	<i>The act of operating</i>
Invention	The act of inventing
Communication	
	The act of informing
Education	
	The act of televising
Illustration	
	The act of explaining



- 3 The author has written a step-by-step list on page 9 to explain how Gutenberg's printing press worked. Re-read page 7 and write your own four-step list to explain the following.

How paper is made today	How cuneiform was written
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.

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- 1 'Tele' is a root word that comes from the Greek language. 'Tele' means 'far'. Read the sentences below and fill the gap with the correct 'tele' word.
 - a Early on, _____ programs could only be broadcast live. Now they can be stored on a tape and shown later.
 - b Astronomers can find out about space by looking through a _____.
 - c We can talk to people who are overseas by using a _____.
 - d Morse code messages were set along _____ lines, using a simple set of electric currents.
- 2 Use your dictionary to find other 'tele' words. Write them in sentences on the back of this page.
- 3 An index is a quick way to find information. It tells you on which pages you can locate specific information. For example, information about radio can be found on pages 5 and 15–17. Use the index to help you find the answers for each of the crisscross clues.

CRISSCROSS CLUES

Across

2. Single page newspapers were called _____.
3. Morse code was invented by _____ Morse.
5. The Oxford _____ is thought to be the first ever daily newspaper.
7. Radio waves exist in the _____.
8. Images and sounds that are so lifelike that they seem real are called _____ reality.
9. Television signals can be sent as radio waves, through cables or by _____.

Down

1. Television _____ is used to sell all sorts of products.
4. To use the Internet you need a computer, telephone line and a _____.
6. Television shows _____ images.

