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Mala is learning English. On Monday, she chooses a short lesson about polite requests. First, she watches for the main idea without stopping. Next, she watches a small section again and writes three useful phrases. She checks the meaning of one unfamiliar word in a dictionary. Then she closes her notes and explains the idea in her own words. She asks her friend to listen. Her friend understands the message but notices one unclear sentence. Mala changes the sentence and tries again. She does not try to remember every word. She practises one useful idea and checks her progress the next day.

1. Choose the main idea. A: Remember every word. B: Practise a useful idea in stages. C: Avoid asking for help.

2. What does Mala write after watching a small section again?

3. Find the word meaning 'not known or recognised' in the passage.

4. True or false? Mala's friend cannot understand her message. Give evidence.

5. Why might closing her notes help Mala? Give one reasonable reason.

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6. Write one sentence explaining the main idea. Use your own words.

7. Choose three useful words or phrases. Explain each meaning in context.

8. Record one useful detail and where you found it. Use a timestamp, paragraph number or a short location note.

9. Notice one useful language pattern. Write a new sentence using it.

10. Write a question about the selected section. Answer it and say how you checked.

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