

## Student A • Unit 19

### Clarifying by Summarizing, II

**Focus:** Summarizing (clarifications are not provided)

**Format:** Triads – Student B, page 3; Student C, page 5

**Topic:** Catching Colds

#### Before Part 1 of the discussion

- (1) **Silently** read this first part of the article (A) in Part 1.
- (2) Write answers to the *Factual Questions* in Part 4.

#### Part 1

- (1) Read this first part of the article to your partners.
- (2) Answer their **summary clarification questions**.

### Catching Colds (A)

In fall and winter, many people catch colds. In fact, colds are the most common reasons people miss work or school. People spend billions of dollars on cold medicines, but many people do not understand how we catch colds. **Did you understand this first paragraph?**

These are ways people do NOT catch colds: We don't catch colds because the weather suddenly changes or because cold air blows on us. Also, we do NOT catch colds because we didn't wear a hat when it was cold outside or because we went outside with a wet head. Also, we do NOT catch colds from too much work or from staying up late at night. **Understand?**

You may be surprised to learn that you can kiss someone with a cold and NOT have to worry that you'll catch it. Also, you do NOT have to worry if someone with a cold sneezes or coughs on you; in fact, we do NOT catch colds from people sneezing on us. **Got it?**

#### Parts 2 & 3

- (1) Listen to your partners read the rest of the article on colds.
- (2) Ask **summary clarification questions** when asked if you understand, *even if you do understand clearly.*
- (3) Use the following expressions.

### Summary Clarification Questions

**Did you say \_\_\_\_\_? You mean \_\_\_\_\_?**

**You said \_\_\_\_\_, right? In other words, \_\_\_\_\_, right?**

**I think you said \_\_\_\_\_, right?**

**I'm not sure I understand. Did you say \_\_\_\_\_?**

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**Part 4**

**Factual Questions about the article**

Ask these questions and answer your partners'.

1. What's the most common reason people miss work or school?

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4. In winter, if you take a bath and then go outside with wet hair, will you probably catch a cold?

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7. If your brother has a cold and he sneezes on you, will you probably catch his cold?

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**Reaction Questions about your partners' opinions and experiences.** Ask these questions and then ask follow-up questions.

**You and the Common Cold**

1. Before you heard the information in this article, how did you think people caught colds?
4. What are some traditional cures for a cold in your country?
7. What do you usually do to keep healthy?

## **Unit 19 • Student B**

### **Clarifying by Summarizing, II**

**Focus:** Summarizing (clarifications are not provided)

**Format:** **Triads** – Student B, page 3; Student C, page 5

**Topic:** Catching Colds

#### **Before Part 1 of the discussion**

- (1) **Silently** read this first part of the article (A) in Part 1.
- (2) Write answers to the *Factual Questions* in Part 4.

#### **Part 1**

- (1) Listen to Student A read the first part of the article on colds.
- (2) Ask **summary clarification questions** when asked if you understand, *even if you do understand clearly*.
- (3) Use the following expressions.

### **Summary Clarification Questions**

**Did you say \_\_\_\_\_? You mean \_\_\_\_\_?**

**You said \_\_\_\_\_, right? In other words, \_\_\_\_\_, right?**

**I think you said \_\_\_\_\_, right?**

**I'm not sure I understand. Did you say \_\_\_\_\_?**

#### **Part 2**

- (1) Read this middle part of the article to your partners.

- (2) Answer their **summary clarification questions**.

### **Catching Colds (B)**

How do people catch colds? We almost always catch a cold because we touched something dirty with our hands and then touched our nose, mouth, or eyes. Here's what usually happens. A person has a cold. This person blows his nose and gets cold germs on his hands. Then he touches something like a telephone, door knob, book, or computer. After he touches it with his dirty hands, a healthy person touches the same thing and then touches his nose, mouth, or eyes. The germs enter our bodies in that way. **Did you get this first paragraph?**

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You might be surprised to know that most people touch their nose, eyes, and mouth about three times an hour. So it's easy for germs to get inside our bodies. In order to keep from getting a cold, or in order to not give your cold to a friend, you should wash your hands often. **Understand?**

If you have a cold, you should use a paper tissue when you blow your nose, and then throw it away. Then, if possible, you should wash your hands before you touch anything like a book, pen, or telephone that other people will touch. If someone near you has a cold, you should try to wash your hands often and try not to touch your eyes, nose, or mouth. **Got it?**

**Part 3**

- (1) Listen to Student C read the rest of the article.
- (2) Using the expressions in Part 1, ask **summary clarification questions, even if you understand clearly.**

**Part 4****Factual Questions about the article**

Ask these questions and answer your partners'.

2. We catch colds from touching certain parts of our bodies with dirty hands. What parts?

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5. How does a person with a cold get germs on their hands?

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8. If you don't want to get a cold from someone, what should you do often?

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**Reaction Questions about your partners' opinions and experiences.** Ask these questions and ask follow-up questions.

**You and the Common Cold**

2. After you catch a cold, what do you do to get healthy again?
5. Tell about a time you were in a hospital.
8. Do you know anyone with bad health?

## **Student C • Unit 19**

### **Clarifying by Summarizing, II**

**Focus:** Summarizing (clarifications are not provided)

**Format:** **Triads** – Student A, page 3; Student B, page 3

**Topic:** Catching Colds

#### **Before Part 1 of the discussion**

- (1) **Silently** read this first part of the article (A) in Part 1.
- (2) Write answers to the *Factual Questions* in Part 4. **Parts 1 & 2**

(1) Listen to your partners read the first two parts of the article.

(2) Ask **summary clarification questions** when asked if you understand, *even if you do understand clearly*.

(3) Use the following expressions.

### **Summary Clarification Questions**

**Did you say \_\_\_\_\_? You mean \_\_\_\_\_?**

**You said \_\_\_\_\_, right? In other words, \_\_\_\_\_, right?**

**I think you said \_\_\_\_\_, right?**

**I'm not sure I understand. Did you say \_\_\_\_\_?**

#### **Part 3**

(1) Read this last part of the article to your partners.

(2) Answer their **summary clarification questions**.

### **Catching Colds (C)**

How do we know when we're catching a cold? Usually, a cold starts in our throat; we start to feel a sore throat. Then the cold moves to our nose, and we start to have a runny nose. Our bodies will start to fight the cold and, after about a week, our bodies will win the fight and we will feel healthy again. **Have you got this first paragraph?**

If our cold continues for more than two weeks, it probably means we don't really have a cold at all. Instead, we may have something more serious. In that case, we should go to a doctor. **Understand?**

The average adult gets two or three colds every year. On the other hand, children and teenagers get five to ten colds a year. This is because adults have developed a defense system against the types of colds they had when they were younger. But children need to catch a cold first in order to build a defense. Also, children catch more colds because they don't wash their hands often and because often they put their hands in their mouths after touching something dirty. **Got it?**

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**Part 4**

**Factual Questions about the article**

Ask these questions and answer your partners'.

3. Where do we first feel a cold in our bodies?

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6. If you have a cold for more than two weeks, what should you do? Why?

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9. Who gets more colds every year, adults or children? Why?

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**Reaction Questions about your partners' opinions and experiences.** Ask these questions and ask follow-up questions.

**You and the Common Cold**

3. When you were younger, did you ever miss several days of school because you were sick?

6. What health problem have you had recently?

9. Do you think your hometown is a healthy place to live?