Lucy Rivera stayed home from school for three days. Her mother, Eva, forgot to call the attendance clerk at Lincoln Elementary to explain Lucy’s absence. When Lucy returned to school, she brought a note from her mother and gave it to her teacher, Mr. Greene. Below is a copy of the note.

November 19, 1999

Dear Mr. Greene,

Please excuse Lucy Rivera’s absence from school for the past three days. My daughter had strep throat. She needed to rest at home. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Eva Rivera

Questions

1. How many days was Lucy absent from school?

2. Why is it important for the teacher to know that Lucy had strep throat?

3. Do you think it’s okay for Lucy to bring her antibiotics to school?

Write a sample note to your child’s teacher explaining why he or she was absent. You may use the other side of this paper.