

- bus must constantly monitor its status.
- If a computer wants to send a message, it first checks to make sure the bus is free (not currently transmitting a message).
- 3. If the bus is free, the sender labels the message to identify the desired recipient.
- The labeled message is broadcast over the bus, reaching all connected computers.
- 5. Upon receipt, each computer checks the label to see if it is the intended recipient. If so, the message is read and processed.

If not, the message is ignored.