



# Year 3 English Revision

Morning Starter Weekly Pack 3



# Punctuation Problem

All of the punctuation is missing in this short story. Can you rewrite the story with the correct punctuation?

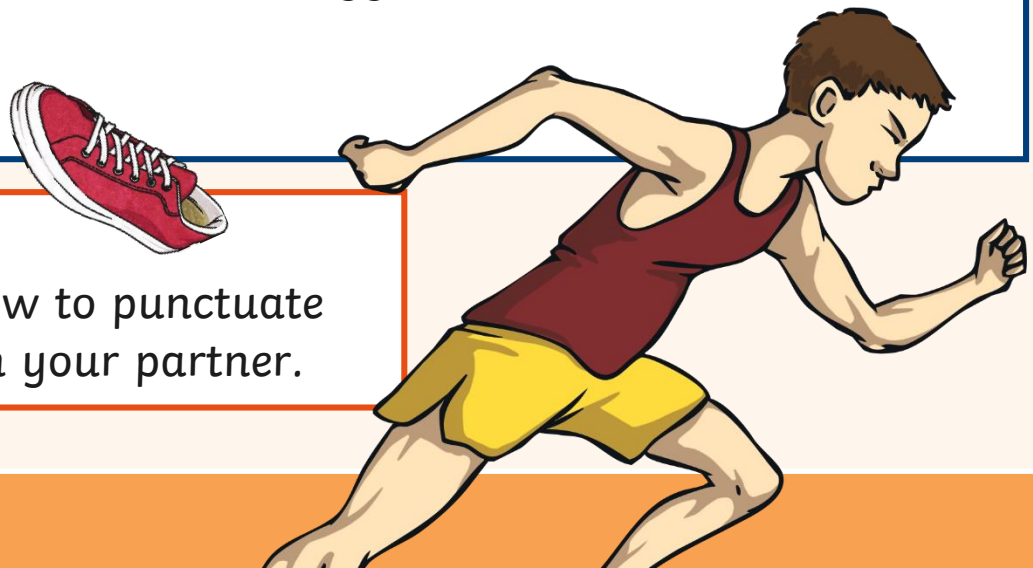
ryan and dale were talking in the playground i bet i can beat you to the fence challenged ryan i bet you cant argued dale im ten times faster than you replied ryan

the boys got ready to race on your marks get set go said elysia the boys set off quickly but all of a sudden ryan had a problem oh no my shoe screamed ryan his shoe flew across the playground

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## Challenge:

Write two key rules on how to punctuate speech. Discuss them with your partner.



# Punctuation Problem Answers

Did you manage to re-write the story with the correct punctuation?

## Challenge Example Answers:

Only put what is being spoken inside the inverted commas.

Always put a , or ! or ? or a . inside the inverted commas.

The boys got ready to race.

“On your marks, get set, go,” said Elysia. The boys set off quickly but all of a sudden Ryan had a problem.

“Oh no! My shoe!” screamed Ryan. His shoe flew across the playground.

“Hooray!” cheered Dale. “I won!”



# Think & Write



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Look at this picture. What words and sentences does it make you **think** of? We are going to **write** a short piece based on the picture using the following pattern of sentences:

- Sentence 1 Write a sentence with an expanded noun phrase.
- Sentence 2 Write a sentence with the verb 'to sit' in the present progressive tense.
- Sentence 3 Write a sentence containing the conjunction 'while'.
- Sentence 4 Write a sentence containing the preposition 'during'.

Share your writing with a partner, your group or your whole class.

# Think & Write Example Answer



Look at this picture. What words and sentences did it make you **think** of? Let's read your short piece of **writing** based on the picture, using the following pattern of sentences:

The **calm, reflective** monk is meditating.

expanded noun phrase

The monk **is sitting** on a rock and watching the birds in the sky.

'to sit' in the present progressive tense

The birds fly across the sky **while** the sun is setting in the distance.

conjunction 'while'

Golden rays of light shine upon the castle **during** sunset.

preposition 'during'

Which sentence did you find the most difficult to write?

# Princess Anne

This is a story about a princess called Anne but the author has mixed up 'a' and 'an'. Can you help to fix the mistake before the author is kept awake?

Princess Anne had \_\_\_ very large fan, which she took into the garden at every chance. She spied on \_\_\_ fish whilst it swam in the pond and she ate \_\_\_ egg sandwich, of which she was fond. \_\_\_ bird in \_\_\_ tree held \_\_\_ worm in its beak and \_\_\_ enormous brown mouse ran away with \_\_\_ squeak. As Anne read \_\_\_ book and sipped \_\_\_ iced tea, she thought of how wonderful her life could be.

## Challenge:

Write the rule which helps you to remember whether you should use 'a' or 'an'.



# Princess Anne Answers

Did you help to fix the mistake before the author was kept awake?

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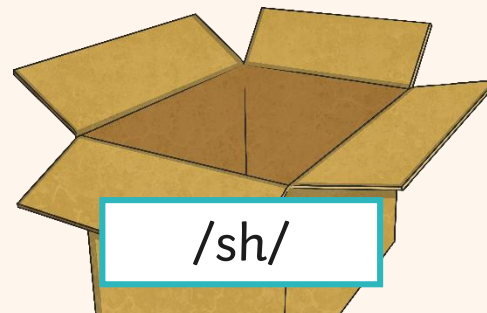
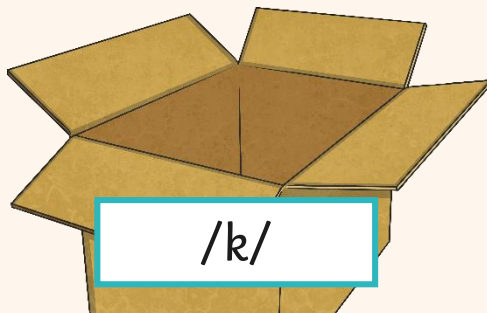
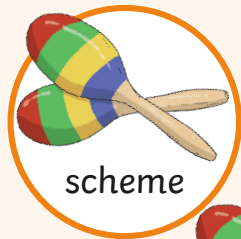
## Challenge:

If the first letter of the next word starts with a **vowel** sound, use '**an**'. If the first letter of the next word starts with a **consonant** sound, use '**a**'. But be careful because there are some exceptions to the rule!



# Cha Cha Cha!

These words all contain the digraph 'ch' but does it make a /k/ or the /sh/ sound?  
Match the maracas to the correct box.



**Challenge:** Use a dictionary to find the meaning of three of these words.

# Cha Cha Cha! Answers

Click on the words to send them to the correct sound box.

**Challenge:** Which words did you define? What did they mean? Did any have more than one meaning?

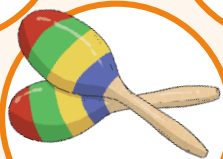
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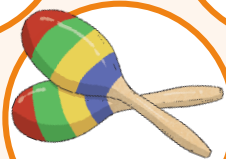
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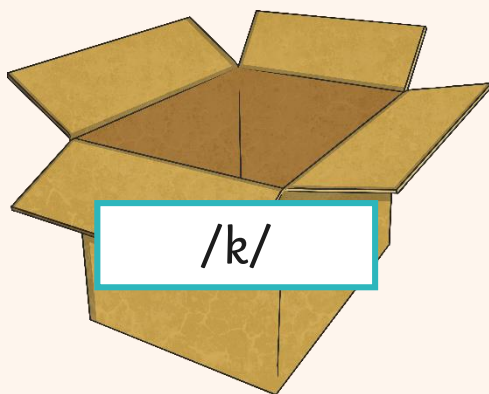
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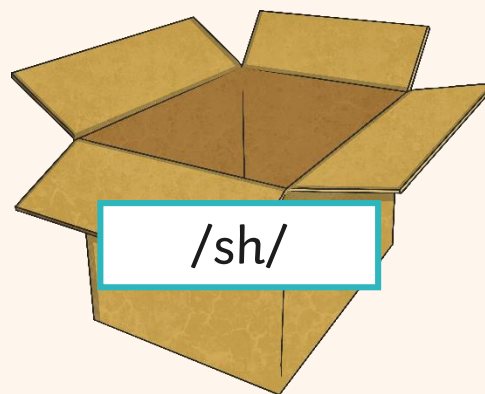
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# The Farmer and the Badger

Long, long ago, there lived an old farmer and his wife who had made their home in the mountains, far from any town. Their only neighbour was a bad and malicious badger. This badger used to come out every night and run across to the farmer's field. He would spoil the vegetables and the rice which the farmer had spent his time carefully cultivating. The badger at last grew so ruthless in his mischievous work and did so much harm everywhere on the farm that the good-natured farmer could not stand it any longer. He was determined to put a stop to it so he lay in wait day after day and night after night, with a big club, hoping to catch the badger, but it was all in vain. Then, he laid traps for the wicked animal.

The farmer's trouble and patience was rewarded for one fine day, when he went on his rounds, he found the badger caught in a hole he had dug for that purpose. The farmer was delighted at having caught his enemy and carried him home securely bound with rope. When he reached the house, the farmer said to his wife, "I have at last caught the bad badger. You must keep an eye on him while I am out at work and not let him escape, because I want to make him into soup tonight."



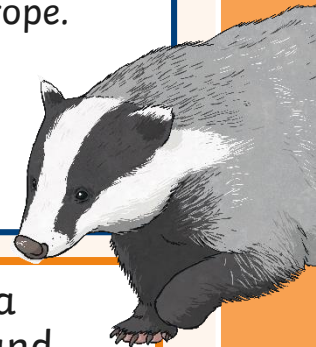
Rewrite the story in 15 words or less.

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I think that the word '**malicious**' means evil and nasty because it is a word used to describe the badger and the badger is described as 'bad' and 'wicked' in the text.



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I think that the farmer was feeling angry and fed up of the badger trying to steal his vegetables because it says that the farmer '**could not stand it any longer**' and '**he was determined to put a stop to it**'.

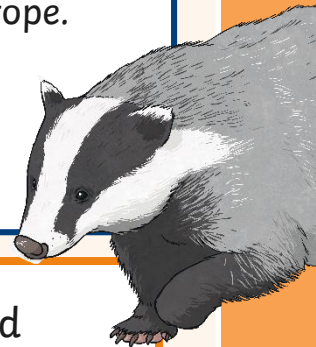


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I think that the farmer's wife might have felt sorry for the badger and let him go whilst the farmer went out to work.

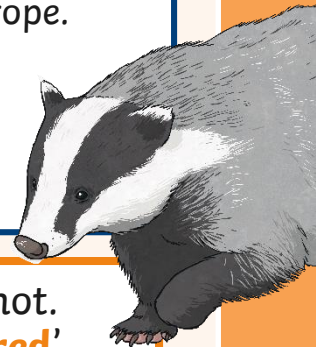


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They are different because the badger was a thief and the farmer was not. They are also different because it says that the farmer was '**good-natured**' and the badger was '**wicked**'.



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Can you do better?

