

Sentence Types

At our school, we learn about different sentence structures to use in our writing. Can you write any of your own sentences of each type?

2Ad

Examples:

- Mr Twit was a **dirty, horrible** man with **long, soggy** spaghetti in his beard.
- It was a **sparse, dry** desert with a **calming, exotic** oasis in the distance.

Rule: A 2Ad sentence has TWO adjectives before the first noun and TWO adjectives before the second noun. This sentence creates a clear picture for the reader.

List sentences

Examples: It was a dark, long, leafy lane.

It was a cold, wet, miserable and misty morning.

Rule: A LIST sentence must have 3 or 4 adjectives before the noun.

Use *and* between the final 2 adjectives.

Many Questions

Examples:

- Where is the treasure? the diamonds? the gold? the rubies?
- What if she was lost? trapped? captured? murdered?

Rule:

Start with a question and **question mark**, followed by further words or phrases which pose linked questions. Beware - you **don't** need to start each phrase with a capital letter!

B.O.Y.S.

Examples:

- She was happily playing a game, **but** got upset when she lost.
- The cookies could be double chocolate chip, **or** oat and raisin.
- It was a warm day, **yet** storm clouds gathered over the distant horizon.
- Mr File was hungry, **so** he ate all the chocolate biscuits.

Rule: A B.O.Y.S sentence is a two-part sentence. The first part of the sentence always ends with a comma [,] and the last part always begins with a connective.

Emotion word, (comma)

Examples:

Desperate, she screamed for help.

Terrified, he froze instantly to the spot.

Happily, she skipped along the gravelly path.

Rule: Emotion first followed by the actions that are caused by the emotion. Putting the word first gives more weight to the emotion. When teaching produce an A-Z list of emotions the children could use (e.g. Afraid, Brave, Cantankerous etc.)

What +!

Examples: What a lovely day!
What a tragic event!
What a delicious smell!

Rule:

Write the word 'what' followed by a noun phrase and an exclamation mark.