

Writing Sentences

What is a sentence?

1. A sentence is a group of words that make sense when put together. It means something.
2. A sentence begins with a capital letter.
3. A sentence ends with a full stop.

These are two short sentences.

My name is Mary.

I live in Galway.

You can use the word **and** to put more information into your sentence.

Be careful not to make your sentences too long!

A good tip is to use **and** only once in each sentence.

Example

My name is Michael **and** I live in Mayo.

This is a sentence because:

It makes sense and we can understand it. ✓

It begins with a capital letter. ✓

It ends with a full stop. ✓

What is a Sentence?

Question – Is this a sentence?

it was a

Answer – This is **not** a sentence because:

It does **not** make sense and we can't understand it. ✗

It does **not** start with a capital letter. ✗

It does **not** end with a full stop. ✗

Now you check.

✓ the yes box if you see a sentence here. **Yes** **No**

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| 1. the cat went to the. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. I can hear the dog barking. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. It is a lovely day. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. we went to the beach and then | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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Match the beginning to the ending

Match the beginnings and endings to make a sentence. Then write out the new sentence. The first one is done for you

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| 1. The weather is | → | the show will start. |
| 2. In the city the | → | very nice today. |
| 3. At eight o'clock | | and our team won. |
| 4. Our cat is | | traffic is very heavy. |
| 5. We went to the match | | black and white. |

1. The weather is very nice today.
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

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Put words into sentences

Now write some more sentences of your own.

Write a sentence about something these words remind you of.

Put each **word** in a sentence.

Example

Christmas

We always put up a Christmas tree.

Holiday

Shopping

Birthday

Book

Read

Write

Writing Sentences

Answer the following questions.

Try to use as many words as you can in your sentence.

Example

What is your name?

My name is Mary.

What is your name?

Where are you from?

How many are in your family?

What is your favourite food?

What do you like to do in your spare time?

What do you like to do on a Saturday?

Finish off these sentences

Make up a sentence using these beginnings.

Don't forget to end with a full stop.

Last year _____

On holidays I _____

Yesterday _____

Tomorrow _____

Next week _____

My favourite _____

Putting in the full stop

Put the full stops in the right places to make **two** sentences.

Write out the sentences.

Make sure your capital letters and full stops are in the right place.

Example

it is a very wet day we will need to bring an umbrella

It is a very wet day. **We** will need to bring an umbrella.

1. the dog had a lovely white bone another dog tried to take it from him

2. we went to the pictures last night it was a very good film

3. at the wedding on saturday we had our photos taken they came out lovely

4. the football team that won the league came to our town the crowd was shouting and cheering

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Answers to the Exercises



What is a sentence? (page 2)

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|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 1. the cat went to the. | No |
| 2. I can hear the dog barking. | Yes |
| 3. It is a lovely day. | Yes |
| 4. we went to the beach
and then | No |

Match the beginning to the ending (page 2)

The weather is very nice today.
In the city the traffic is very heavy.
At eight o'clock the show will start.
Our cat is black and white.
We went to the match and our team
won.

Putting in the full stop (page 6)

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