

Brackets and dashes

Why have **brackets** been used in the sentence below?

Mr Simpson (my maths teacher) is really funny.

Tick **one**.

- to give additional information
- to show the writer's opinion
- to introduce a noun phrase
- to link two clauses together
- 2 Insert a **pair of brackets** in the correct place in the sentence below. Sarah caught her bus the number 25 just in time.
- 3 Tick **one** box to show where **a dash** is needed in the sentence below.
 - My dad is buying me a present on Saturday it's a surprise.
- Which sentence is punctuated correctly? 4 Tick **one**.
 - - The field behind my house is great for sledging.
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a) What is the **name** of the punctuation marks on either side of the words 'chocolate buttons' in the sentence below?

I bought my favourite sweets (chocolate buttons) as a treat.

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b) What is the name of a **different** punctuation mark that could be used correctly in the same places?

6 Which **two** sentences use punctuation to show **parenthesis**? Tick **two**.

] The weather today (dry and sunny) was great for a trip to the beach.

On Thursday, we will go for a bike ride.

Queen Elizabeth II ruled from 1952-2022.

Jack asked Zac – his best friend – to play Minecraft with him.

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Insert a **pair of dashes** in the correct place in the sentence below.

In the next part of the book chapters 6 and 7 we meet three new characters.



Tick **two** boxes to show where brackets should go in the sentence below.

Sally lost her bag the pink, flowery one when we were on a trip.





9	Write the name of the punctuation that could be used instead of commas in the sentence below.	
	Sam and Olly, my friends from school, are coming to my house to play.	 1 mark
10	Insert a pair of brackets in the correct place in the sentence below. The hotel is a short walk around one kilometre away from the beach.	L mark
11	Why have dashes been used in the sentence below?	
	Kara and James went to the pool — the one with the slides — to help them cool down. Tick one .	
	 to give the writer's opinion to link two clauses together to show parenthesis to show the thoughts of Kara and James 	1 mark
12	 to link two clauses together to show parenthesis 	1 mark

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14	Which sentence is punctuated correctly? Tick one .	
	 Every day (aside from Sunday) my alarm wakes me at 7am. Every day aside from (Sunday) my alarm wakes me at 7am. Every day aside from Sunday (my alarm wakes me) at 7am. Every day (aside from Sunday my alarm wakes me) at 7am. 	1 mark
15	Insert a pair of dashes in the correct place in the sentence below. Eating plenty of fruit and vegetables ideally five portions a day helps you to stay healthy.	L mark
16	Tick two boxes to show where brackets should go in the sentence belo Charlie's new puppy a black labradoodle is absolutely adorable.	W. 1 mark
17	Which sentence uses a dash correctly? Tick one .	
	 The film was excellent. It was very – informative. The film – was excellent. It was very informative. The film was excellent – it was very informative. The film was – excellent. It was very informative. 	1 mark





Sue – the lady next door – has a cat called Millie.

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Insert **a dash** in the correct place in the sentence below.

Total marks