

Year 5 and 6 Week 12 Grammar

Parentheses

MONDAY

Visit <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zn8c47h> Watch the video about the parentheses. Then fill in the blanks in the sentences below. If you do not have access to the internet - don't worry! Read the information below instead.

Sandwich Sentences

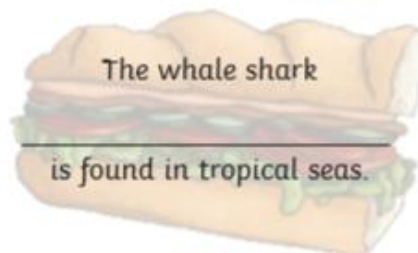
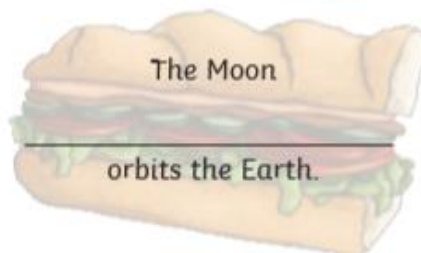
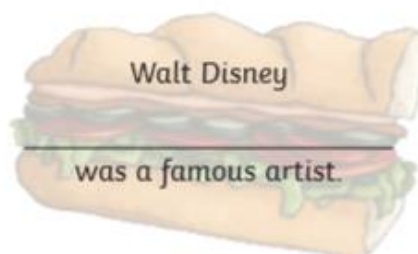
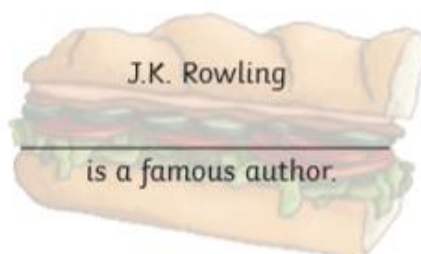
Year 5 Punctuation: Brackets, Dashes and Commas to Indicate Parenthesis

When writing, you can add **parenthesis** to the middle of a sentence to add extra information. **Parenthesis** is when a word, phrase or clause is inserted into the sentence to give extra information. They are sometimes also known as an **embedded clauses** or as **embedded relative clauses** (if they begin with a relative pronoun). For example:

Susie likes to play rugby at school.

Susie, **who is very sporty**, likes to play rugby at school.

In the example above, the parenthesis has been placed in the middle of the sentence after the proper noun 'Susie', who it gives more information about. You can think of it as a sandwich. The parenthesis is the filling that goes between the two slices of bread. We use commas to separate the parenthesis from the main part of the sentence. Complete the sandwiches sentences below by adding parenthesis clauses of additional information from the box:



Parenthesis
, a very large fish,
, which is a natural satellite,
, who wrote the Harry Potter books,
, a renowned superhero,
, who created Mickey Mouse,

TUESDAY Watch the video about brackets, read the information below.

Parentheses

Brackets, dashes and commas show parentheses (plural of parenthesis).

Parenthesis is a word or clause inserted into a text to show an afterthought or as extra information.

A pair of brackets, commas or dashes can be used to enclose the extra information or afterthought. You can choose which to use depending on how you want the information to be read.

Example

- Brackets: **'The otter (who was very cute) swam down the river.'** Brackets are used here as the parenthesis isn't vital to the sentence.
- Commas: **'The otter, who was swimming in the river, caught a fish.'** Commas are used here as the parenthesis is important to the sentence.
- Dashes: **'The otter - who wasn't very clever - stood on some rocks.'** Dashes are used here as the parenthesis is informal.

Can you write three sentences similar to those above that start with:

The dog....

Remember to include brackets, commas and dashes in each new sentence.

Wednesday

Complete Activity 1. If you do not have access to the internet, complete it below: Can you highlight the words (that can be considered extra information) that should be in brackets?

Albert who was a very happy alien
enjoyed the day out.

The wrecking ball which was operated by
Albert smashed through the roof.

THURSDAY

Complete Activity 2. Have fun watching Michael Rosen performing 'Chocolate Cake'!

Can you write five sentences or a short story to describe Michael's (or your own) chocolate cake adventure that use brackets to add extra information or afterthoughts?

Example: **Michael (who was an inquisitive ten-year-old boy) LOVED chocolate cake. Interestingly, his favourite type of chocolate cake was chocolate fudge cake (with white chocolate drops on top too).**

Top tips!

- To check you have put your brackets in the correct place, your sentence should still make sense even when you take the words that are in the brackets out of the sentence!
- Remember, brackets show parentheses. We can also use dashes (- -) or commas (, ,) to add parenthesis instead of brackets.

FRIDAY

If you have access to the internet you can complete Activity 3 worksheets. If not complete the Activity below.

Complete the sentences by inserting appropriate parentheses. Don't forget to punctuate with dashes, commas or brackets! Mark these in a different colour.



1. Mr Smith
was quick to come to the rescue of his son.
 2. Miss Lee
walked nervously into the room.
 3. Bill Jones
was defeated in the second round.
 4. Dorothy Howe
moved into a new flat last week.
 5. Simon Caley
never misses Bristol City's home matches.
 6. Felix
had to be rescued from under the floorboards.
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