

Max's Magical Grammar Garden

Learning objective: To identify and use different types of sentences: statements, questions, commands, and exclamations.

Read the story carefully and answer the questions below to show how well you understand the different types of sentences.

Max the monkey was busy in his garden. He loved to plant seeds and watch them grow into maths puzzles. One sunny morning, Max invited his friend Pip the caterpillar to visit. 'Look at these colourful flowers!' Max shouted with excitement. Pip crawled over and asked, 'How many petals does the blue flower have?' Max looked closely at the blue petals. 'The flower has exactly five petals,' Max said. He pointed to a small wooden sign near the gate. It said, 'Please water the sunflowers every day.' Max handed Pip a tiny watering can. 'Be very careful with the water!' Max instructed. Pip giggled as he watered the garden. It was a wonderful day for learning together. Max knew that using different types of sentences made his stories much more interesting. He felt proud of his garden and even prouder of his grammar. Whether he was asking a question or giving a command, Max knew that every sentence needed a capital letter at the start and the right punctuation at the end.

Word bank: statement · question · command · exclamation · sentence · punctuation

1. Find and copy one sentence from the text that is an exclamation. (2 marks)

2. What does the wooden sign near the gate tell people to do? (2 marks)

3. Why do you think Max used an exclamation mark when he shouted about the flowers? (2 marks)

4. How does Pip feel about being in the garden with Max? Use evidence from the text to explain your answer. (2 marks)

5. Do you think Max is a good teacher? Explain why you think this. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max the monkey and Pip the caterpillar in the garden. Make sure to include the blue flower with five petals and the wooden sign with the command on it.



Extension challenge: Write four of your own sentences about your favourite animal. Write one statement, one question, one command, and one exclamation.