

Max's Punctuation Puzzle

Learning objective: To identify and use capital letters, full stops, commas, and apostrophes correctly in sentences.

Read each question carefully. Use your best handwriting. Look at the word bank if you need help with the names of punctuation marks.

Max the monkey is at the market. He wants to buy fruit. He sees apples, bananas and pears. Max says, 'I have £5.00 to spend.' He is very happy.

Word bank: Full stop · Capital letter · Comma · Apostrophe · Question mark

1. Find two words in the passage that start with a capital letter. Write them here. (2 marks)

2. Look at the sentence: 'He sees apples, bananas and pears.' Why is there a comma after the word 'apples'? (2 marks)

3. Add a full stop to this sentence: Max loves to eat juicy red apples (2 marks)

4. Write an apostrophe in the correct place in this sentence: Maxs favourite snack is a banana. (2 marks)

5. Rewrite this sentence correctly using a capital letter and a question mark: does max want a pear (2 marks)

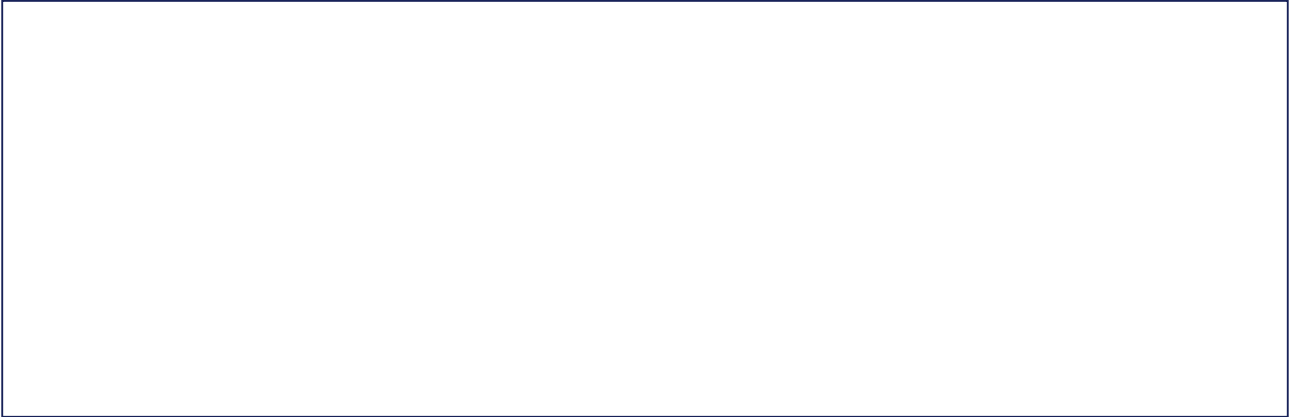
6. Max is writing a list of things he needs. Write three things you might find at a market. Use commas in your list. Example: Max needs apples, oranges, and plums. (3 marks)

7. Write a short story about Max going to the market. You must use at least one capital letter, one full stop, and one apostrophe. (5 marks) (5 marks)

8. 8. Circle the sentence that is punctuated correctly: A) Max is fast. B) max is fast C) Max is fast! (2 marks)

9. 9. Why do we use a full stop at the end of a sentence? (5 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max the monkey standing at a market stall holding a basket of fruit.



Extension challenge: Write two sentences about what Max does next. Use a comma in one sentence and an apostrophe in the other. Total: /25