

Max's Magnificent Punctuation Guide

Max says: Stop, look, and punctuate! Make your sentences sparkle!

- A full stop (.) goes at the very end of a statement to show that the sentence is finished.
- A question mark (?) is used at the end of a sentence that is asking something.
- An exclamation mark (!) shows strong feelings like excitement, surprise, or shouting.
- A comma (,) separates items in a list or pauses in a longer sentence to help the flow.
- An apostrophe (') shows that letters are missing or that something belongs to someone.

Did you know? Did you know? Before the 15th century, people didn't use spaces between words or punctuation at all! Writing was very hard to read until people decided that marks were needed to help the reader breathe and understand the meaning of the words.

Key vocabulary: Full stop · Comma · Question mark · Exclamation mark · Apostrophe · Capital letter