

Punctuation detectives

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Edit six short sentences, then explain a punctuation choice.

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. on monday mia found a key

2. where is the red bag

3. please close the gate

4. what a huge pumpkin

5. is ben coming with us

6. the puppy ran home

Choose one sentence. Explain your capital letters or end mark.

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Purpose and use

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Teaching notes

Tell pupils they may need a full stop, question mark or exclamation mark. Accept a justified alternative ending for an exclamation or command.

Explain that an exclamation mark changes expression; it is not required just because a word describes size.

Answers / suggested responses

On Monday Mia found a key.

Where is the red bag?

Please close the gate.

What a huge pumpkin! (A full stop can also be reasonable, depending on intended expression.)

Is Ben coming with us?

The puppy ran home.

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