

Sentences



The four types of sentences are:

1. Declarative
2. Imperative
3. Interrogative
4. Exclamatory

They each have a certain function and end with a specific punctuation mark.

Declarative Sentence

Declarative sentences, also known as statements, present a fact, an opinion, or a piece of information. They end in a full stop.

- Malcom Turnbull is the Prime Minister of Australia.
- Tom reads the newspaper every day while he eats breakfast.
- When George turned five years old, he went to kindergarten.

Imperative Sentence

An imperative sentence is more commonly known as a command.

The 'you' subject is understood. These sentences start with an action verb. They usually end with a full stop. But if it is a command given in an exciting situation, then an exclamation mark can be used.

- Shut the door, please.
- Turn in your homework before you sit down.
- Run to the house!
- Give the paper to me.
- Be quiet!

Interrogative Sentence

Interrogative sentences are also known as questions. When you use an interrogative sentence, you are expecting an answer to your question.

- What are you doing over the weekend?
- Which one of the pizzas is your favourite?
- How does the washing machine work?

Exclamatory Sentence

These sentences show excitement and end with an exclamation mark. People love to use exclamation marks when they write. But actually, exclamation marks should be used sparingly and only to emphasise certain statements.

- I am so happy that today is Friday!
- Watch out for that tree!
- What a great idea!

