

Application and Reasoning

Step 1: Recognising Parenthesis

National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 5: (5G5.9) [Using brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis](#)

Terminology for pupils:

- English Year 5: (5G5.9) [parenthesis](#)
- English Year 5: (5G5.9) [bracket](#)
- English Year 5: (5G5.9) [dash](#)

Differentiation:

Questions 1, 4 and 7 (Application)

Developing Recognise where sentences have used punctuation for parenthesis when located mid-sentence with two punctuation marks to demarcate it. Sentences are single clauses with added parenthesis.

Expected Recognise where sentences have used punctuation for parenthesis when located mid-sentence or at the end of the sentence. Sentences are multi-clause sentences with added parenthesis.

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Questions 2, 5 and 8 (Reasoning)

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Questions 3, 6 and 9 (Reasoning)

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1a. Which of the following sentences use correct punctuation to show parenthesis?

- A. Gabriel, who had been off ill for a few days, returned to school on Monday.
- B. Gabriel who had been off ill for a few days returned to school on Monday.
- C. Gabriel, who had been off ill for a few days returned to school on Monday.



A

1b. Which of the following sentences use correct punctuation to show parenthesis?

- A. Wednesday's football match was cancelled.
- B. The football match, due to take place on Wednesday, was cancelled.
- C. On Wednesday, the football match was cancelled.



A

2a. Hafsa and Cian are using commas to show parenthesis. Who has used punctuation correctly? Explain how you know.



Hafsa

The rain which had been falling heavily all day, finally stopped.



Cian

The rain, which had been falling heavily all day, finally stopped.



R

2b. Sean and Chuan are using dashes to show parenthesis. Who has used punctuation correctly? Explain how you know.



Sean

The sun – which had been beating down all day – began to set.



Chuan

The sun – which had been beating down all day began to set.



R

3a. Which sentence does not use punctuation for parenthesis? Tick one.

A. The ferry – which was due to set sail at noon – was delayed by two hours.

B. The large, blue ferry finally set off from the port of Dover.

Explain how you know.



R

3b. Which sentence does not use punctuation for parenthesis? Tick one.

A. The sleek, red sports car was broken into late on Monday night.

B. The car (which had a smashed windscreen) had been broken into on Monday night.

Explain how you know.



R

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4a. Which of the following sentences use correct punctuation to show parenthesis?

- A. The sofa bed in the corner of my bedroom is used – when my friends stay – and when granny comes to visit
- B. The sofa bed – in the corner of my bedroom is used when my friends stay and – when granny comes to visit.
- C. The sofa bed – in the corner of my bedroom – is used when my friends stay and when granny comes to visit.



A

4b. Which of the following sentences use correct punctuation to show parenthesis?

- A. The school fayre, which takes place on Sunday, has a range of different stalls though the tombola is the best.
- B. The school fayre, is on Sunday, and there will a range of different stalls although the tombola is the best.
- C. The school fayre (which is an annual event) has a range of different stalls and the tombola is the best.



A

5a. Hannah and Sean are using commas to show parenthesis. Who has used punctuation correctly? Explain how you know.



Hannah

She was afraid of heights, but she faced her fears and attempted the high ropes in her gymnastics lesson.



Sean

She attempted the high ropes, even though she was afraid of heights, and faced her fears.



R

5b. Steph and Gabriel are using commas to show parenthesis. Who has used punctuation correctly? Explain how you know.



Steph

The children had to stay inside at breaktime, because it was a snowy day and they didn't all have coats.



Gabriel

It was a snowy day, which meant that the children had to stay inside at breaktime, and the school closed early.



R

6a. Which sentence does not use punctuation for parenthesis? Tick one.

A. Our class went on a school trip to Chester Zoo as part of our Science topic, and I bought a toy tiger for my little sister.

B. Our class went on a trip to Chester Zoo last week, which was linked to our Science topic.

Explain how you know.



R

6b. Which sentence does not use punctuation for parenthesis? Tick one.

A. It was my mum's birthday so we went to see a show at the Opera House – which was amazing.

B. We went to see an amazing show at the Opera House, because it was my mum's birthday.

Explain how you know.



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7a. Which of the following sentences use punctuation to show parenthesis?

- A. As the sun began to set over the campsite, my dad – who was ready to make dinner – started to build a fire
- B. My dad, who had built a fire, started to make dinner as the sun began to set over the campsite.
- C. The sun began to set over the campsite, so my dad built a fire then started to make the dinner.



A

7b. Which of the following sentences use punctuation to show parenthesis?

- A. Every Wednesday, my friends Hafsa, Isabel and Hannah come for dinner before we go to gymnastics club.
- B. Before we go to gymnastics club – which takes place on Wednesdays – Hafsa, Isabel and Hannah come for dinner.
- C. Hafsa, Isabel and Hannah come for dinner before we go to gymnastics, which takes place on Wednesdays.



A

8a. Alice and Johnny are using commas to show parenthesis. Who has used punctuation correctly? Explain how you know.



Alice

My mum, dad and sister came to support me at the netball game, which was the last game of the season, and we won!



Johnny

For the last game of the season, my mum, dad and sister came to support me and we won the match in the last minute.



R

8b. Jake and Ben are using commas to show parenthesis. Who has used punctuation correctly? Explain how you know.



Jake

Although they weren't going on holiday until Saturday, they decided to pack early so that they were ready.



Ben

They decided to pack their suitcase and leave for the airport early – they did not want to be late!



R

9a. Which sentence does not use punctuation for parenthesis? Tick one.

A. Cian, Kelly and Lucy love playing sports and are on many teams, which is why they are busy on every day of the week.

B. Cian, Kelly and Lucy play for many school teams because they love to play different sports.



Explain how you know.

R

9b. Which sentence does not use punctuation for parenthesis? Tick one.

A. After the football game, we all went to Pizza Planet to celebrate our win – which is our new post-match tradition.

B. Recently, we have started a new post-match tradition of going to Pizza Planet after every football match.



Explain how you know.

R

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Developing

- 1a. **A**
2a. **Cian has correctly used a pair of commas for parenthesis. Hafsa has missed a comma before 'which'.**
3a. **B does not use punctuation for parenthesis, it uses a comma in a list.**

Expected

- 4a. **C**
5a. **Sean has correctly used a pair of commas to show parenthesis. Hannah has used a comma to separate clauses in her sentence.**
6a. **A does not use punctuation for parenthesis, it uses a comma to separate a clause.**

Greater Depth

- 7a. **A and B**
8a. **Alice has correctly used commas for parenthesis. Johnny has used commas for a list and fronted adverbial.**
9a. **B does not use punctuation for parenthesis, it uses a comma in a list.**

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Developing

- 1b. **B**
2b. **Sean has correctly used a pair of dashes for parenthesis. Chuan has only used one dash instead of a pair. There should be another dash after 'day'.**
3a. **A does not use punctuation for parenthesis, it uses a comma in a list.**

Expected

- 4b. **A and C**
5b. **Gabriel has correctly used a comma to show parenthesis. Steph has used a comma to separate clauses in her sentence.**
6b. **B does not use punctuation for parenthesis, it uses a comma to separate a clause.**

Greater Depth

- 7b. **B and C**
8b. **Ben has correctly used a dash to show parenthesis. Jake has used a comma after a subordinate clause.**
9b. **B does not use punctuation for parenthesis, it uses a comma after a fronted adverbial.**