

KS1 English Quiz - Exclamation Marks (Questions)

This quiz introduces children to the use of this type of punctuation. The National Curriculum asks that children in KS1 learning English and Literacy are introduced (Year 1) and then use (Year 2) exclamation marks. This activity highlights when to use them and how to use them appropriately.

To end a sentence we must always use a full stop, question mark or exclamation mark. An exclamation mark should be used when someone is shouting or to emphasize strong feelings.

1. Which of these answers should be shouted and needs an exclamation mark?



- I like the colour red
- Fire is hot
- There's a fire
- Are you hungry

2. Which of these sentences is correct?



- Look behind you!. Quick. Run.
- Look behind you! Quick! Run!!!!
- Look behind you!! Quick!! Run!!
- Look behind you! Quick! Run!

3. Which of these answers needs an exclamation mark?



- This is a police car
- Do you know any policemen
- Put your hands in the air
- Would you like to go for a drive in a police car

4. Which of these sentences is correct?



- Shark! Quick! Help me.
- Shark Quick Help me
- Shark! Quick! Help me!
- Shark. Quick. Help me.

5. Which of these answers should not end with an exclamation mark?



- Stop
- Don't run
- Quick
- Please cross the road

6. Which of these sentences is correct?



- Be careful! That knife just cut me!
- Be careful. That knife just cut me.
- Be careful. That knife just cut me!
- Be careful! That knife just cut me.

7. Which answer is perfect?



- Giant bamboo plants can grow up to 9 inches a day
- Giant bamboo plants can grow up to 9 inches a day!
- Giant bamboo plants can grow up to 9 inches a day.!
- Giant bamboo plants can grow up to 9 inches a day!.

8. Which of these answers should be shouted and needs an exclamation mark?



- I'm cooking sprouts
- My aunt likes sprouts
- Sprouts are a vegetable
- I hate sprouts

9. Exclamation marks can be used to emphasize a comment. Which answer would be considered the most amazing?



- Shakespeare's work has been bought by over 2 billion people
- Shakespeare's first name was William
- Shakespeare was English
- Shakespeare has a sister called Joan

10. What does an exclamation mark look like?



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Remember, an exclamation mark is used to show someone is shouting and a fire would be a very good reason to shout.

3. Which of these answers needs an exclamation mark?



- This is a police car
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- Put your hands in the air
- Would you like to go for a drive in a police car

Every police officer has an identification number.

2. Which of these sentences is correct?



- Look behind you!. Quick. Run.
- Look behind you! Quick! Run!!!!
- Look behind you!! Quick!! Run!!
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No matter how loud your character is shouting, one exclamation mark is enough.

4. Which of these sentences is correct?



- Shark! Quick! Help me.
- Shark Quick Help me
- Shark! Quick! Help me!
- Shark. Quick. Help me.

If you saw a shark there would be lots of exclamation marks!

5. Which of these answers should not end with an exclamation mark?



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When writing, if somebody is shouting they talk in short, sharp sentences and so, an exclamation mark would be used.

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An exclamation mark works like a full stop, so if you have an exclamation mark you don't need to do any other end punctuation.

6. Which of these sentences is correct?



- Be careful! That knife just cut me!
- Be careful. That knife just cut me.
- Be careful. That knife just cut me!
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You can have more than one sentence that ends with an exclamation mark. Just know that whenever you use one, the character is still considered to be shouting.

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There are more than 110 different varieties of sprouts.

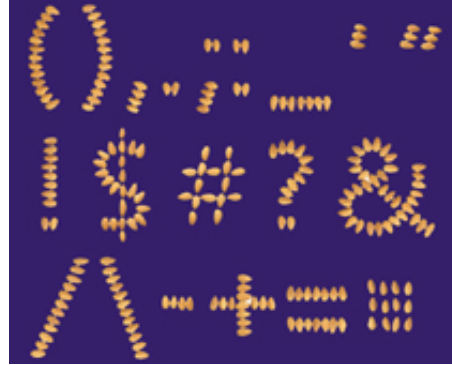
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This is a tricky one because you need to decide which fact is most astounding. Although the other facts are interesting, it's the fact that he is one of the most famous men in Literature that is most worthy of emphasis.

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An exclamation mark is like an upside down 'i'.