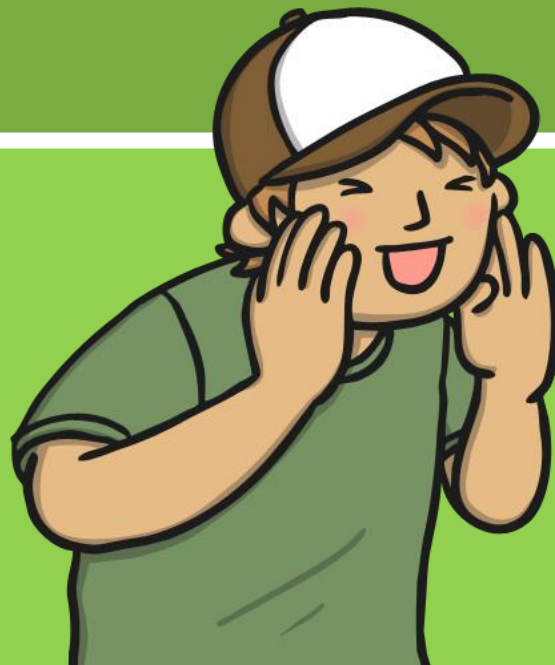




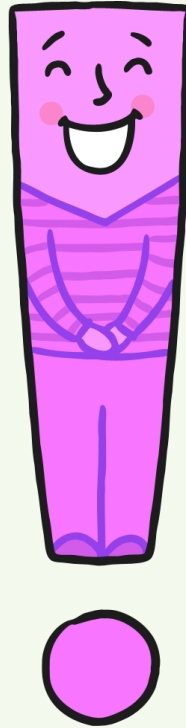
# What an Exclamation!



## To understand how to use exclamation sentences

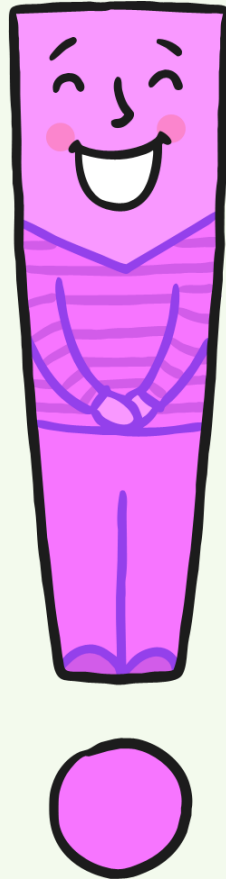
- I know how to structure an exclamation sentence
- I can use an exclamation mark
- I can write exclamation sentences

# This is an exclamation mark.



You can use it in a few ways...

# Use exclamation marks to:



- show surprise;
- add emphasis;
- show strength;
- show shouting.

# So, what is an exclamation sentence?

An exclamation sentence is used when someone is surprised. It always starts with 'How' or 'What' and contains a **verb** and a **noun**.

What a  
great footballer you  
are!

How kind you are!



# Confusion!



**Exclamations** are sentences that begin with 'what' or 'how'. They are full sentences, include a verb and end with an exclamation mark.

**Questions** are sentences that ask something. They usually end with a question mark.

- **Both** exclamations and questions can begin with 'how' and 'what'.
- **Both** exclamations and questions can include a verb.
- Exclamations, and not questions, end with an exclamation mark.
- Questions, and not exclamations, end with a question mark.
- Questions need an answer as they are asking something. Exclamations do not.
- Exclamations exclaim shock, surprise or wonder at something. Questions do not.

# Exclamation Sentences

These sentences are simple to write. Simply vary the noun phrase, pronoun and verb!

|      |                    |         |      |   |
|------|--------------------|---------|------|---|
| What | noun phrase        | pronoun | verb | ! |
| What | large eyes         | she     | has  | ! |
| What | enormous teeth     | it      | has  | ! |
| What | a great footballer | you     | are  | ! |

|     |           |                    |      |   |
|-----|-----------|--------------------|------|---|
| How | adjective | pronoun/determiner | verb | ! |
| How | funny     | you                | are  | ! |
| How | kind      | you                | are  | ! |
| How | wonderful | that               | is   | ! |

# You can have exclamations that aren't sentences.

These still start with 'How' or 'What' but have no **verb**.

What fun!

How lovely!





But what about the other ways of using the exclamation mark?



# Use it for a command.

Go away!

Eat your tea!

Be quiet!

Come here!

Sit Down!

It makes it sound like someone is shouting.

# Use it for surprise or excitement.

Oops!

Wow!

I love it!

Summer holidays!

Brilliant!

# Compare these sentences.

| Without an !                    | With an !                       |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| I love your hair.               | I love your hair!               |
| How funny you are.              | How funny you are!              |
| What a lovely pie that is.      | What a lovely pie that is!      |
| Thank you very much for coming. | Thank you very much for coming! |
| We are going on holiday.        | We are going on holiday!        |

**Discuss:** What's the difference?

So...what do we know?



# An exclamation mark can:



- be used for an exclamation phrase starting with 'How' or 'What';
- be used in a exclamation sentence that starts with 'How' or 'What' **and** contains a verb and a noun;
- be used in other ways to show surprise, emphasis, strength or shouting.

