

Sandwich Sentences

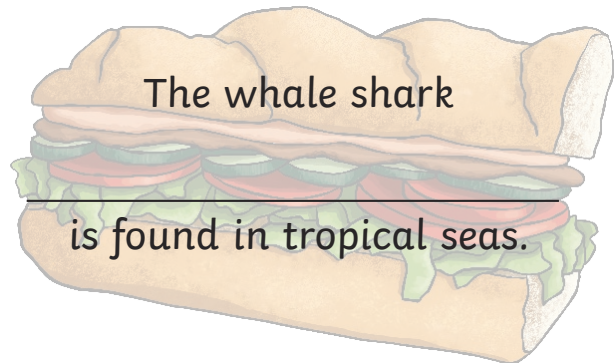
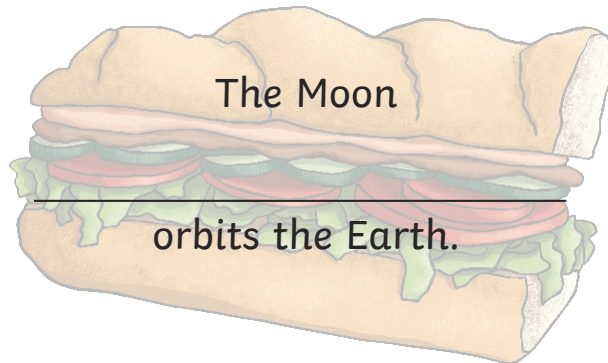
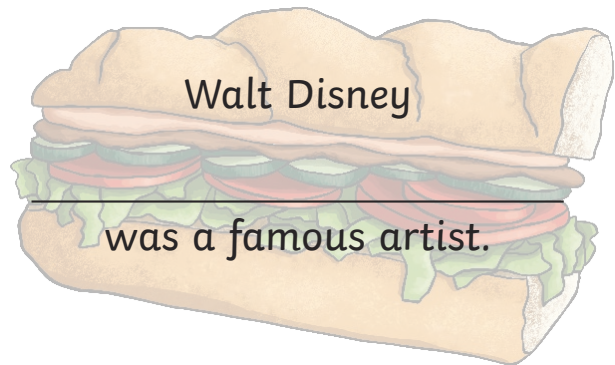
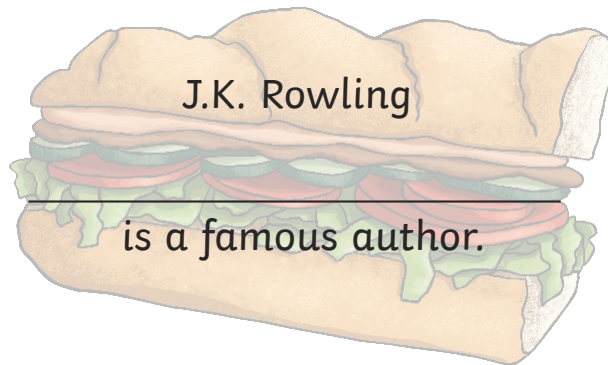
Year 5 Punctuation: Brackets, Dashes and Commas to Indicate Parenthesis

When writing, you can add **parenthesis** to the middle of a sentence to add extra information. **Parenthesis** is when a word, phrase or clause is inserted into the sentence to give extra information. They are sometimes also known as an **embedded clauses** or as **embedded relative clauses** (if they begin with a relative pronoun). For example:

Susie likes to play rugby at school.

Susie, **who is very sporty**, likes to play rugby at school.

In the example above, the parenthesis has been placed in the middle of the sentence after the proper noun 'Susie', who it gives more information about. You can think of it as a sandwich. The parenthesis is the filling that goes between the two slices of bread. We use commas to separate the parenthesis from the main part of the sentence. Complete the sandwiches sentences below by adding parenthesis clauses of additional information from the box:



Parenthesis
, a very large fish,
, which is a natural satellite,
, who wrote the Harry Potter books,
, a renowned superhero,
, who created Mickey Mouse,

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This time add your own parenthesis clauses to each of the sentences below after the noun written in **bold**. Remember to place commas around the parenthesis.

1. **Super Mario** _____ was designed by Nintendo.
2. The **cheetah** _____ uses its tail to balance when running at great speeds.
3. **Poppies** _____ are worn to remember those that lost their lives during war.
4. The **ancient pyramids** _____ contained the burial chambers of many Pharaohs.
5. Stealthily, the **killer whale** _____ hunts its prey.
6. The **fireworks** _____ exploded in the night sky.
7. The **flowers** _____ waved in the gentle breeze.
8. The **people** _____ joyfully danced to the loud music.
9. By the river, the **children** _____ played pooh sticks.
10. The **fierce bear** _____ paced through the forest.



Parenthesis Picture

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Using the Little Red Riding Hood picture below, write your own sentences that include parenthesis. Remember to separate the parenthesis from the main sentence by surrounding it in a pair of commas. The first one has been completed for you as an example.



1. Grandma's house, **which had a roof made from straw**, sat by the tall trees of the forest.

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

Year 5 Punctuation: Brackets, Dashes and Commas to Indicate Parenthesis Answers

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1. J.K. Rowling, **who wrote the Harry Potter books**, is a famous author.
2. Walt Disney, **who created Mickey Mouse**, was a famous artist.
3. The Moon, **which is a natural satellite**, orbits the Earth.
4. The whale shark, **a very large fish**, is found in tropical seas.
5. Captain Doughnut, **a renowned superhero**, saved the world.

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1. Ben Nevis (the tallest mountain in the UK) is found in Scotland.
2. Elvis Presley (who was born in 1935) was a famous American singer and actor.
3. Prince William (who is a member of the royal family) helped open the new hospital.
4. Mary Berry (famous for her recipes) is a judge in a baking competition.
5. In school, Mia (a four-year-old girl) was sat eating chocolate cake.
6. The black rhino (an animal found in Africa) is an endangered species.
7. Neil Armstrong (an American astronaut) was the first man on the moon.