

Four types of sentences

In year 2 it is expected that children will use all four types of sentences within every piece of their writing. A command or exclamative sentence may not always be appropriate, but if the children can include them within the genre of writing they need to. It is also expected they are punctuated correctly.

Statement

Statements are sentences which tell you something. They end with a full stop.

A rainbow has 7 colours that many people think are beautiful to look at.

Questions

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

What did you have for dinner?

Commands

Commands are sentences that tell you to do something. They are found in instructions but can also be urgent or angry and can be very short.

Help me!
Please stop doing that.

Exclamations

An exclamation is a sentence beginning with 'What' or 'How'. It is a full sentence, including a verb, which ends with an exclamation mark.

What a dangerous mountain to climb!
What amazing children they are!
How kind you are!