

# SPaG Punctuation Prompts



Roll a die to select a punctuation mark, then follow the instructions to write a sentence using that piece of punctuation.

1	<b>Speech Marks “ ”</b>  Use speech marks to show words that are spoken out loud. Remember, all punctuation goes inside the speech marks!	<b>Example:</b> “Come here!” the man shouted.
2	<b>Semicolon ;</b>  Join two sentences that are linked in content. Remember, you can use them instead of ‘but’, ‘and’ or ‘because’.	<b>Example:</b> I went home; it was late.
3	<b>Comma ,</b>  Use a comma after an adverb opener in a sentence.	<b>Example:</b> Slowly, the caretaker locked the doors.
4	<b>Brackets ( )</b>  Use brackets to show extra information.	<b>Example:</b> Joanne (the school prefect) went to the front of the hall.
5	<b>Ellipsis ...</b>  Use ellipsis to show a pause, an interruption or uncertainty.	<b>Example:</b> There may be happy endings around the corner...
6	<b>Colon :</b>  Use a colon to introduce items in a list.  Use to link two clauses, where the second follows or explains the first.	<b>Example:</b> I had taken lots with me: sweets, drinks and some chocolate.  I worked incredibly hard: I got some excellent GCSE results.

