

English Task – 28.4.20

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Well done for your reading and comprehension work yesterday. We will be doing some more writing about this story later in the week.

Today's focus is:

Grammar

Recap:

Commas are used to **separate** items in a **list**.

I play football, rugby, cricket and tennis.

You need **commas** between all the things in the list **except the last two**. You need to put **'and'** or **'or'** between the last two things.

Verbs are **doing** or **being** words.

They **play** video games.

Inverted commas show when **someone is speaking**.

Inverted commas go at the **start** and **end** of the speech.

"I would like a cake," said Matthew.

There is always a **punctuation mark** before the final speech marks.

A **coordinating conjunction** joins words or groups of words that are of the same importance in the sentence.

A green bird eagerly pecked the juicy apple **and** ate it noisily.

Other coordinating conjunctions: **and, but, or, yet, so**

Task 1

Answer the questions below. Before posting on the blog, read over your work to check it.

Grammar

Insert one comma to complete this list.

The classroom had a magic carpet surprised children and an unusual teacher.

Circle the two verbs in the sentence.

Melanie cried and Hamish argued with the twins.

Insert the missing inverted commas.

Who are you? the children said.

Complete this sentence with the correct coordinating conjunction.

Mr Majeika had a pointed beard _____ bright eyes.

Which sentence needs a question mark?

What did Mr Majeika look like

Mr Majeika had a beard and glasses

Task 2

Now we have revisited these skills lets practise using them in our writing.

1. Write your own sentence using commas.
2. Write your own sentences using inverted commas. You might like to use the topic of Mr Majeika!

Extension Task

Enjoying this activity? Why not have a go at some fun Bitesize activities to practice these skills further...

Click here for inverted commas

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Click here for commas

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