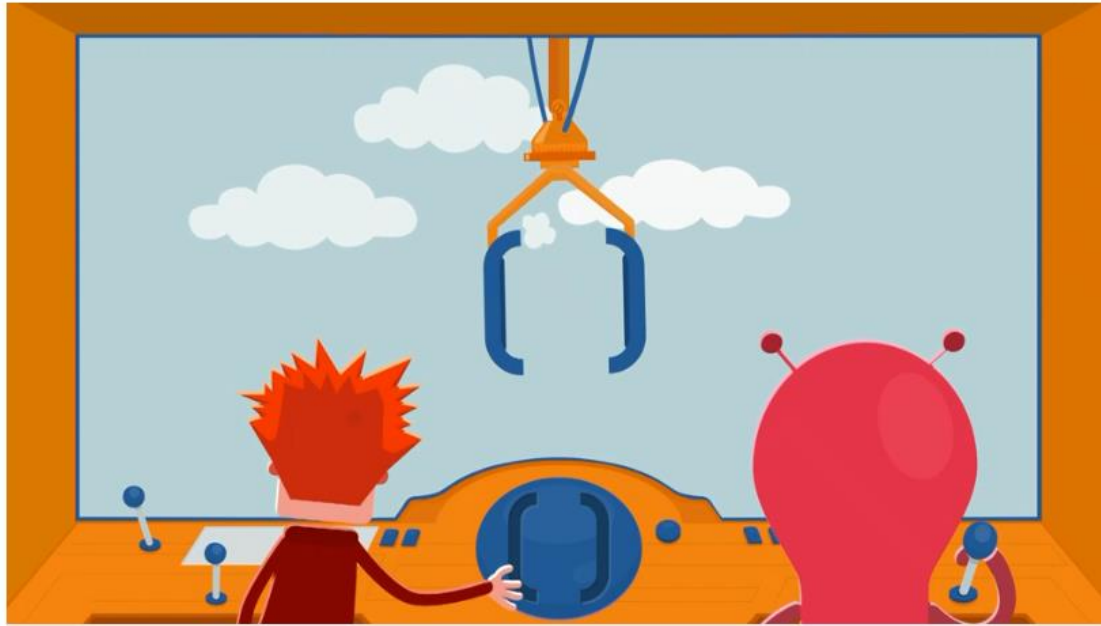


Monday 21st September 2020

Parentheses

- Parentheses is a word, phrase or sentence that is put in writing as extra information or an afterthought.
- If you took the parenthesis away, the sentence would still make sense without it.
- Parentheses can either be shown using pairs of commas, brackets or dashes

() , , - -



When should we use brackets?

Why has parentheses been used in these sentences?

- The Narcissus (daffodil) is a spring plant with yellow petals.
- My brother (the one who lives in Australia) is coming to the wedding.
- Manchester United (my favourite football team) won the league today.

Which sentence has the brackets in the right place? How do you know?

- a) Some people (don't like the rain) especially in England but I do.
- b) Some people don't like the rain (especially in England but I do.)
- c) Some people don't like the rain (especially in England) but I do.

Your go...

- In the text, using a coloured pencil, identify where parentheses has been used.

e.g

- The girl (who was called Susan) had cereal for breakfast.
- A long time ago (about 65 million years) dinosaurs roamed the Earth.

Where has parentheses been used?

The Earth is made up of many layers (four), just like an onion. These are called the crust, mantle and the core (made up of the outer core and inner core).

Deep inside the Earth (about 400 km) rocks melt into a thick liquid called magma. When the pressure in the Earth's crust builds up, it is magma that explodes in a volcanic eruption.

The Earth's crust (the outermost layer) is broken into pieces called plates, which are always moving (they move at an extremely slow rate each year).

When Mt Pinatubo (in the Philippines) erupted, clouds of ash 40km (25 miles) high blocked out the sun. The land was dark and covered with grey ash.

To review...

- Use parenthesis to add extra information or insert an afterthought.
- Brackets are placed around the parenthesis.
- A sentence / passage must still make sense if the parenthesis is removed.

Tuesday 22nd September 2020

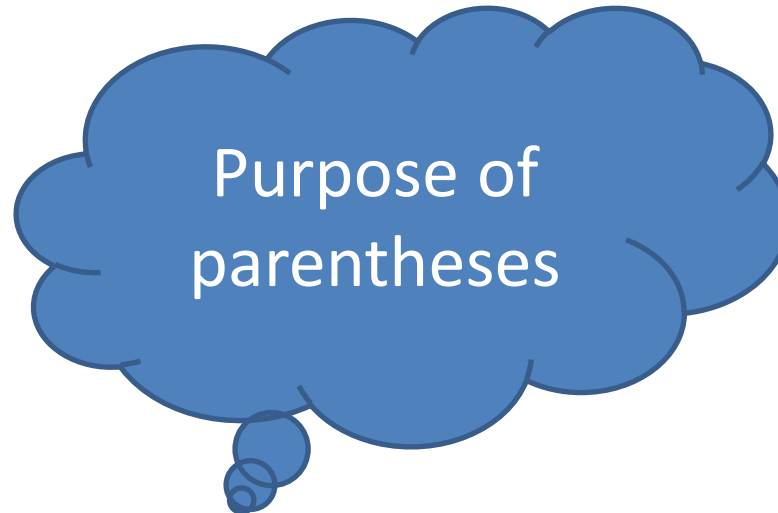
Why has parentheses been used in these sentences?

- There are so many volcanoes (p13-14) along this fault that it is called the Ring of Fire .
- The eruption of Mt Pinatubo lowered world temperatures by 0.5°C (1°F) for one year.
- The San Andreas fault line is in California in the United States of America (USA).
- The fault line (a break or fracture in the ground caused by tectonic plate movement) is about 1200km long.
- The minerals that rise to the ocean floor from deep in the Earth quickly harden and make a chimney shape. These are called black smokers (the first black smoker was discovered in 1977).

To explain or give
a definition

To compare

To
abbreviate



Purpose of
parentheses

To give extra
information

To direct

Using the range of information texts or your own books...

- Draw a table with two columns
- Find 5 examples of brackets being used
- Copy the sentence with the brackets into the table
- Then write what the purpose of the parentheses is
- Draw a line underneath and find another example

Example	Why has it been used?
e.g Ash rose 24km (15 miles) into the atmosphere.	To compare and convert kilometres to miles to give people a better understanding.

Wednesday 23rd September 2020

Rewrite the extract, using parentheses to show your understanding.

The Adventures of Beetle Boy

By day, Beetle Boy is a normal boy **[hint: what is his name?]** who attends a normal primary school. But by night, he becomes the toughest superhero the world has ever seen **[hint: compare him to another superhero]** and spends his time fighting villains. His shell is so strong **[hint: what is his shell made out of?]** that he is able to withstand anything hitting him **[hint: give an example]** without even the slightest bruising.

If his friends ever realised the amazing powers he has **[hint: describe some of his powers]**, Beetle Boy would be asked to show them off every day at school. He knows that, as a superhero, he has sworn to keep his super powers a secret **[hint: explain how this makes him feel]** and use them only to protect the world from evil.

Thursday 24th September 2020

- Match the clause to the sentence and rewrite it, using brackets accurately

Which clause matches each of the sentences? Rewrite the sentence, using parentheses accurately to add in the extra information.

e.g My Gran (my mother's mother) has got false teeth.

My Gran has got false teeth.

My sister's bike needs repairing.

Today the computer broke down.

My dog needs to see a vet.

My toothbrush has lots of bristles.

Our school is getting knocked down.

The old oak tree blew down in the storm.

Aunty Lou is visiting us.

the one with the puncture

my mum's sister

the green one

my mother's mother

the new one

the one with the bandaged paw

the big old building

the one in the village

Friday 25th September 2020

Over to you...

- Write a paragraph about
 - the Earth's structure and plate tectonics
 - Volcanoes
 - Or earthquakes
- Use parentheses to include extra information
- Read it back to yourself. Does it make sense when you remove the parentheses?
- Edit your work – have you spelt key words accurately? Have you used parentheses correctly?