

Recognising Parenthesis

1a. Which of the following sentences use correct punctuation to show parenthesis?

- A. The sofa bed in the corner of my bedroom is used – when my friends stay – and when granny comes to visit
- B. The sofa bed – in the corner of my bedroom is used when my friends stay and – when granny comes to visit.
- C. The sofa bed – in the corner of my bedroom – is used when my friends stay and when granny comes to visit.



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1b. Which of the following sentences use correct punctuation to show parenthesis?

- A. The school fayre, which takes place on Sunday, has a range of different stalls though the tombola is the best.
- B. The school fayre, is on Sunday, and there will a range of different stalls although the tombola is the best.
- C. The school fayre (which is an annual event) has a range of different stalls and the tombola is the best.



2a. Hannah and Sean are using commas to show parenthesis. Who has used punctuation correctly? Explain how you know.



Hannah

She was afraid of heights, but she faced her fears and attempted the high ropes in her gymnastics lesson.



Sean

She attempted the high ropes, even though she was afraid of heights, and faced her fears.



2b. Steph and Gabriel are using commas to show parenthesis. Who has used punctuation correctly? Explain how you know.



Steph

The children had to stay inside at breaktime, because it was a snowy day and they didn't all have coats.



Gabriel

It was a snowy day, which meant that the children had to stay inside at breaktime, and the school closed early.



3a. Which sentence does not use punctuation for parenthesis? Tick one.

A. Our class went on a school trip to Chester Zoo as part of our Science topic, and I bought a toy tiger for my little sister.

B. Our class went on a trip to Chester Zoo last week, which was linked to our Science topic.

Explain how you know.



3b. Which sentence does not use punctuation for parenthesis? Tick one.

A. It was my mum's birthday so we went to see a show at the Opera House – which was amazing.

B. We went to see an amazing show at the Opera House, because it was my mum's birthday.

Explain how you know.

