

Parenthesis and Active & Passive

1.

Which **two** sentences use punctuation to show **parenthesis**?

Tick **two**.

There are some books – including story books – in the cupboard.

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To make space, we moved the chairs, tables and the boxes of games.

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Our classroom, at the end of the corridor, has a red door.

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On Tuesday, we will be selling cakes for charity.

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2.

Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

Tick **one**.

The town is ten miles (16 kilometres) away.

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The town is ten miles (16 kilometres away).

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3.

Insert a **pair of brackets** in the correct place in the sentence below.

Using public transport such as buses and trains can reduce pollution.

4.

Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

Tick **one**.

I will be running – a half marathon 13 miles
next week!

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I will be – running a half marathon – 13
miles next week!

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I will be running a half marathon 13 – miles
– next week!

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I will be running a half marathon – 13 miles
– next week!

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5.

Insert a **pair of commas** in the correct place in the sentence below.

My father who works at the museum gave my class a guided tour.

6.

Which sentence uses the **passive**?

Tick **one**.

The school proposed building a
new playground.

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The issue was discussed at a
council meeting.

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The council voted in favour of the
proposal.

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They started building the new
playground last week.

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7.

Tick one box in each row to show whether the sentence is written in the **active** or the **passive**.

Sentence	Active	Passive
The lost dog was found by the children.		
Everyone heard the thunder.		
Nicole was riding her bike.		

8.

Rewrite the sentence below in the **passive**.
Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

The wind damaged the fence.

9.

Rewrite the sentence below in the **active**.
Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

The vital clues were discovered by the detective.

10.

Rewrite the sentence below so that it is written in the **passive voice**.
Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

The pouring rain drenched us.
