**What to do today**

*IMPORTANT! Parent or Carer – Read this page with your child and check that you are happy with what they have to do and with any weblinks or use of the Internet required.*

**1. Story time**

Go back to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RbyUrb0X5iU&t=94s>.

Watch *The Way Home* all the way through to the end.

* How accurate were your predictions or your recall of events for the remaining part of the story?

**2. Commands and explanations**

Read the information on*Command and Exclamation Sentences*.

* Answer *Questions about types of sentence*.
* Read the *Way Home Sentences*.
* Put a C, Q, E or S next to each one depending on whether it is a command, question, exclamation or statement.
* Add the correct punctuation to each sentence.

**3. Comparing stories by the same author**

Think about *The Way Home* and *Lost and Found*.

Look at the headings on *Two Stories by Oliver Jeffers*.

* Write your responses in the spaces provided.

**Now try this Fun-Time Extra**

* The boy settles down to watch his favourite TV programme while the Martian is stuck on the Moon. You can see it is a wildlife show.
* What’s your favourite programme? Draw a picture of it and explain why you like it on *My Favourite TV Programme.*

**Command and Exclamation Sentences**

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**A sentence is a command when it is bossy and gives an order or an instruction.**

Commands begin with bossy **verbs.**

Fix my aeroplane.

Climb down the ladder!

Do not watch the TV while I am gone.

Commands begin with **capital letters**.

They often end with **full stops.**

They can end with **exclamation marks** if they are very forceful and are being given with extra emphasis.

**Exclamation sentences begin in two very particular ways**. They start with the words ***How...*** or ***What...***and are said in a short, sharp, emphatic way.

How extraordinary to see a Martian!

What a relief to get back to Earth!

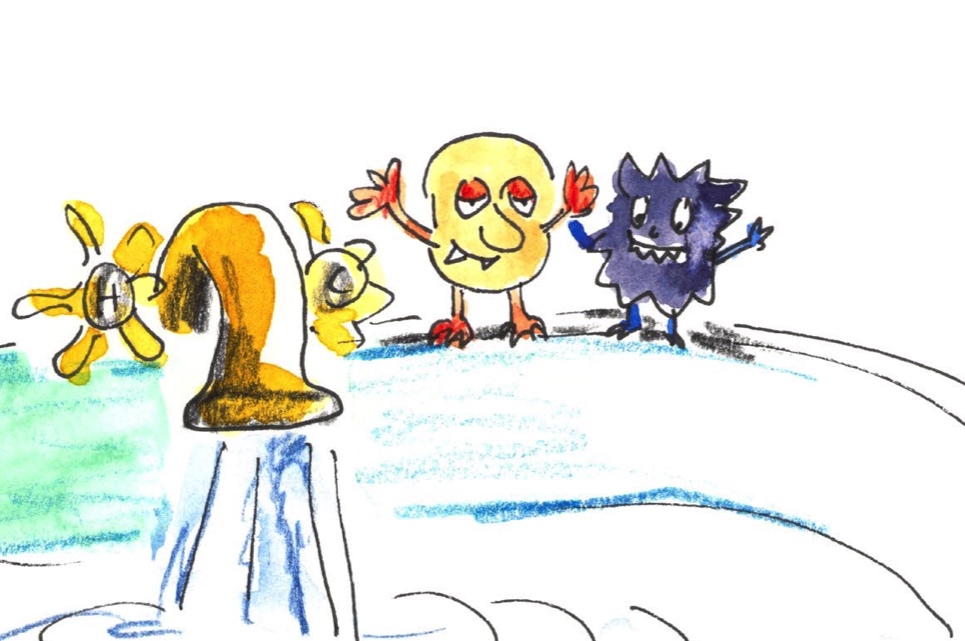
How lovely to be home.

Exclamations begin with **capital letters**.

They end with **exclamation marks** if they are very forceful or **full stops** if they are less so.

**Questions about types of sentence**





Write ‘command’ or ‘statement’ or ‘exclamation’ beside each sentence below.

Then add the correct end-of-sentence punctuation.

* Turn off the tap
* The alien looks pretty cute
* How annoying
* What a shock
* Go away, you aliens
* Aliens love water and taps
* Stop playing in the bathroom

Write four bossy verbs which could be used to start a command.

What type of letter must be used to start a command sentence?

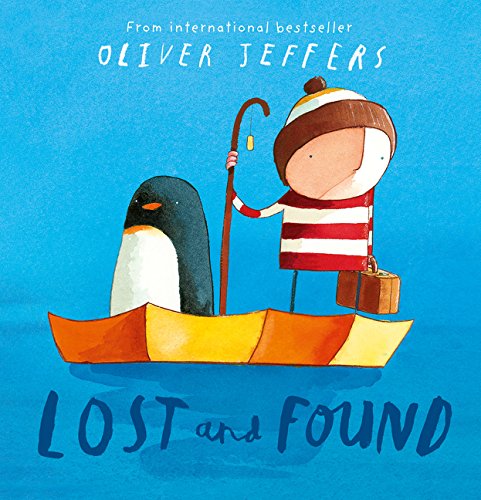
What punctuation mark is used at the end of a command sentence?



**Way home Sentences**

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| Where have you come from |
| His torch went out |
| They thought of ways to fix their machines |
| What a rubbish plane I have |
| How will we get home |
| Grab this rope |
| Go and fetch the bits we need |
| What do we need to fix our machines |
| How scary the moons feels in the dark |
| Where is he |
| He should be back by now |
| Go home now |
| How wonderful that the machines now work |

**Two stories by Oliver Jeffers**

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Write about all the things that the books have **in common**.

Think about the characters and what they do in the books, but also about the themes and the ideas in the stories.

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Which is your favourite of the two books?

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Explain why you like it the best.

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**My Favourite TV Programme**

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**Answers Questions about types of sentence**

*Children may have used exclamation marks to end the command sentences if they feel they should be read forcefully or given extra emphasis.*

* Turn off the tap. Command
* The alien looks pretty cute. Statement
* How annoying! Exclamation
* What a shock! Exclamation
* Go away, you aliens. Command
* Aliens love water and taps. Statement
* Stop playing in the bathroom. Command

Write four bossy verbs which could be used to start a command.

Answers will vary, e.g. fix, climb, mix, stop, put

What type of letter must be used to start a command sentence?

Capital letter

What punctuation mark is used at the end of a command sentence? Full stops (or sometimes exclamation marks).

**Way home Sentences**

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