statement

A sentence that tells the reader a fact, idea or opinion.

The sky is blue.

My favourite colour is green.

command

A sentence that gives an instruction or tells you to do something.

Pass me your book.

Line up quietly!

exclamation

A sentence that shows intense feeling or surprise. Ends with an exclamation mark.

Oh dear!

What a great friend you are!

question

A sentence that asks something. Always ends with a question mark.

What time is lunch?

How are you going to get there?

expanded noun phrases

Adds additional detail to the noun by adding adjectives or by explaining where the noun is.

> blue sky girl on the bike

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coordinating conjunctions

Connects two main clauses.

and, but, or, so

verb

A word which describes an action.

jump, write, read, sing, look, walk, open, speak, listen, watch

adjective

A describing word.

beautiful, green, unpleasant, small, large, scary, caring

adverb

A word which describes a verb.

quickly, slowly, quietly, loudly, gently, joyfully, happily

commas in a list

To separate items in a list.

I went to the shop to buy milk, bread, eggs and butter.

past tense

Shows something has happened.

Ben ran home yesterday.

Sally drank a glass of milk.

I saw a cow in the field.

present tense

Show something is happening now.

Sam walks to school.

I am watching TV.

I eat pizza every Friday.

apostrophes

To show letters have been removed from a word:

cannot → can't

To show something belongs to someone.

The girl's coat.

subordinating conjunctions

Connects a subordinate clause to a main clause

when, if, because, that