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Running Dictation- editing challenge

Teacher notes:

Enlarge the following pages as much as possible and place on the far side of the classroom.

Dictate one of the sentences, making one or two variations, depending on ability.

The children have to remember the whole sentence as they cross the room, then recognise where you made the change so they can edit the poster version.

When you've finished the dictation, ask the children to compare your original with their edited sentence.

In my house, I have two scruffy dogs and a ginger cat, which sleeps on my bed.

My cousins (David and Robert) live in a large, industrial city in Canada.

Because football is my favourite sport, I try to watch every match I can.

Nobody really knows why the dinosaurs died out, although there are many theories.

My friend Amir's generous grandparents are taking us to the seaside next weekend.

There's no reason why we shouldn't get some snow next winter, unlike last year.

After a long, hot day at the beach with our friends, it was soothing to put on some after-sun lotion.

Tigers, which only roam wild in Asia, usually have orange, black and white fur.

Our school's gardeners are growing tomatoes, beans and sweet corn in large pots of compost.

China, India and Pakistan are Asian countries which have extremely large populations.

Stacey demanded excitedly, "When are you coming to my house for tea?"

"Hasn't your older brother graduated from university yet?" Hassan enquired.

“If you want to have a party,” mum called up the stairs, “is it going to be on your birthday or at the weekend?”

Why isn't Katie wearing a hat to protect herself when it's blazing hot?

“Happy anniversary!” the twins chorused as they presented their parents with a beautifully wrapped gift.

Once he realised how hard we'd worked to get those scores, the head teacher gave us extra playtime for a whole week!

Having eaten an entire, family-sized bar of chocolate by myself, I now feel thoroughly sick!

So loud is a jet engine, that it would burst your eardrums if you stood too close!