

# Questions and Commands



**WALT: Use sentences with different forms, such as questions and commands.**

**WILF: I can understand there are different types of sentence. I can understand what questions and commands are. I can use full stops or exclamation marks to end a command. I can use question marks to end a question. I can write my own questions and commands.**

# Types of Sentences

There are four basic types of sentence in the English language.

## Questions:

How much does it cost?

## Statements:

The car is blue.

## Commands:

Let me drive your car.

## Exclamations:

What a cool car!



In this lesson we will concentrate on **Questions** and **Commands**.

# Types of Sentences



## Questions:

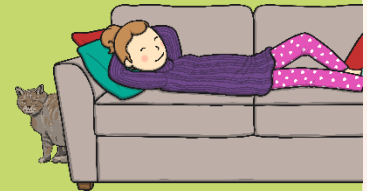
- Questions ask something.
- They start with a capital letter and finish with a question mark.
- They can be answered.
- They include a question word e.g. what, where, how, when, why, which, who, does, is, should...



**How much is it?**



**What is behind the sofa?**



**When does the film finish?**



**How do you like your eggs in the morning?**



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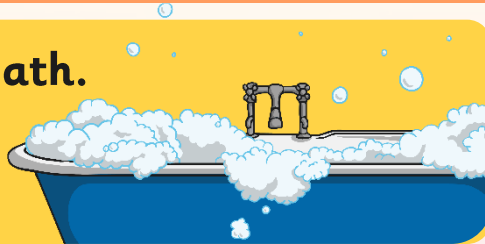


## Command:

- A command is an order – giving someone an instruction or telling them to do something.
- It usually begins with an imperative bossy verb e.g. get, do, switch, tidy...
- It can be negative e.g. 'Don't stop!'
- It can end with either a full stop or an exclamation mark.



**Get in the bath.**



**Eat your sprouts.**



**Get out of here!**



**Take off your shoes and place them under the bench.**



# Types of Sentences



The way something is read gives us a big clue to what type of sentence it is.

1. Hold your answer card so that you have your **'Question' card in your right hand** and your **'Command' card in your left hand**.
2. Close your eyes so you can really concentrate on your teacher reading out the sentences on the following slide.
3. Hold up the card that matches whether you think the sentence is a question or a command.
4. Check the answer – were you right?



# Types of Sentences



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Have you always liked oranges

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Command

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Question

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Think of some questions. Begin your questions with a capital letter, make them as long or as short as you like and end them with a question mark.

Can you write some questions about the picture below?



e.g. Whose birthday is it?

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Think of some commands. Begin your commands with a capital letter, make sure they give direct orders and end with a full stop or an exclamation mark.

Can you write some commands for the soldier below?



e.g. Stand to attention.

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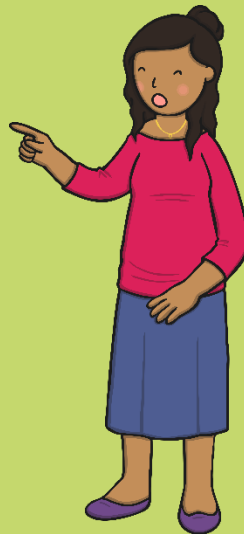


Often questions can be turned into commands and commands can be turned into questions.

Turn the question into a command and the command into a question.

Please can you clear up the paint you spilt on the floor?

Clear up the paint you spilt on the floor.



## Question

Can you make me a cup of tea?

**Can you put your pyjamas on?**

## Command

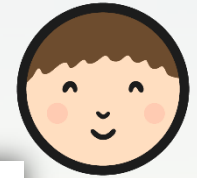
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# Independent Focused Activity



# Question or Command?



Add the right punctuation to questions and commands, then turn questions into commands and commands into questions!

Identify questions and commands. Choose the right punctuation to finish the sentences. Match questions and commands. ★

Identify questions and commands. Choose the right punctuation to finish the sentences. Turn questions into commands and vice versa. ★★

Choose the right punctuation to finish pairs of sentences. Turn question into commands and vice versa. ★★★

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1. Decide whether each of these sentences is a command or a question and then add the right punctuation to finish them.

- a) Go back to the classroom \_\_\_\_\_ Can you see if there is anyone there \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Finish your dinner and go out to play \_\_\_\_\_ Come back in if it is raining \_\_\_\_\_
- c) How high will your kite fly \_\_\_\_\_ Do you think it is windy enough \_\_\_\_\_
- d) Meet us in London \_\_\_\_\_ What time will you arrive \_\_\_\_\_
- e) Is Paris the capital of France \_\_\_\_\_ What is the French word for command \_\_\_\_\_
- f) Stop fighting \_\_\_\_\_ Why did you hit him \_\_\_\_\_

2. Change these pairs of sentences to swap any command to a question and any question to a command. An example has been done for you.

	Look over there. (command) Can you go and fetch the bag? (question)
e.g.	

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# Plenary



# Which Is It?



Using your question and command cards, listen to the sentences which apply to the following picture and hold up the card which would best match the sentence.

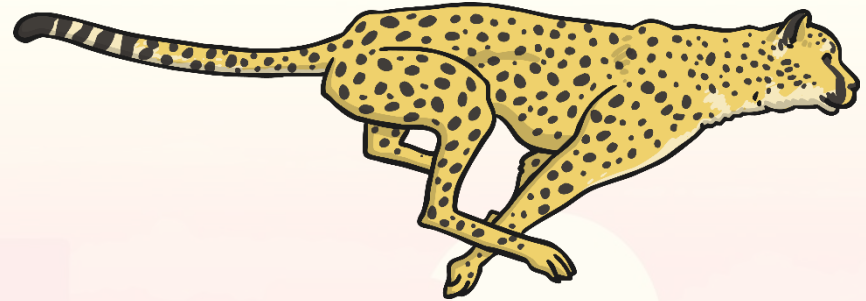
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