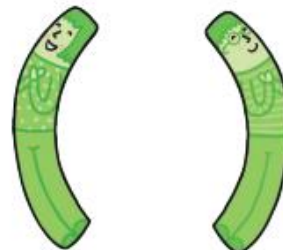


Parentheses/Brackets

Brackets are used to separate off information that isn't essential to the meaning of the rest of the sentence.

Mount Everest (8,828m) is the highest mountain in the world.



Robyn's hair (which was red) was the longest in the class.

Task 1

For each of these sentences, add an extra information clause (parenthesis) in the spaces. Remember to mark the start and end of your parenthesis with **brackets, commas** or **dashes**. Vary your punctuation; don't use just one!

e.g. My brother never brushes his hair!

My brother, who thinks he's really cool, never brushes his hair! OR

My brother - Jason - never brushes his hair OR

My brother (the scruffiest boy in history) never brushes his hair!

1. I watched a horror film _____
and it really scared me!
2. Dinosaurs _____
were a type of reptile.
3. We're not allowed peanut butter _____
in school because there's a girl who's allergic to nuts.

4. The bats _____
sleep in our attic during the day.
5. I lost my phone _____
when we went on the Thunder Roller ride.
6. We made popcorn _____
for my birthday party.
7. Simone _____
doesn't speak much English yet.
8. We were helping the caretaker _____
to carry all the chairs into the hall.
9. There aren't many apples left _____
because we used them to make a pie.

10. 'Blue Peter' _____
has been on TV since the 1960s.
11. Put some cushions _____
on the floor and we can lie down to watch the film.
12. My dog _____
is a very curly labradoodle.

Challenge

Now write three sentences of your own. Each one should be a complex sentence and include a parenthetical piece of information. Remember to use brackets, dashes or commas.

1. _____

2. _____

