




Popping Punctuation

Missing Punctuation Challenge

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Popping Punctuation

How many different pieces of punctuation can you think of?



Finger
Space
Please leave
a space!

·
Full
Stop

I go to school
every day.

ABC
Capital
Letters

Mrs Romilda was born on
Christmas Day in Nairobi,
Kenya.

?
Question
Mark

What is your favourite
part of
the day?

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Commas

“Good morning!” my friend
shouted to me.

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Brackets

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(the 50cm ruler).

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Dash

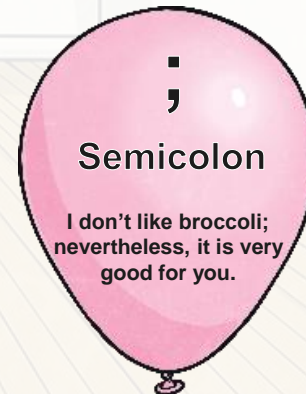
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Why Use Popping Punctuation?

Why do we need to make sure that we use the correct punctuation in our writing?

If we do not use the correct punctuation, our writing may be **unclear**, **misleading** or **ambiguous** to the reader.

Punctuation **structures our writing clearly**, makes the information **easy to understand** and adds extra information in a **clear and precise way**.

Hidden Punctuation

There is a sneaky balloon covering up one piece of punctuation in each of these sentences.

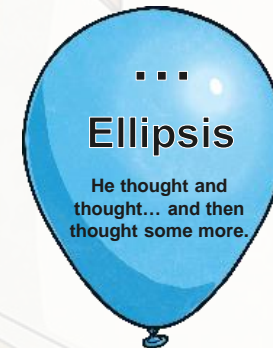
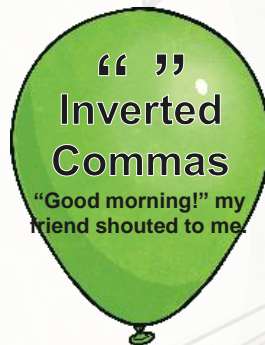
Decide what that piece of punctuation should be.

Click on the balloon to pop it and check if you are correct.

Hidden Punctuation

Which piece of punctuation is hidden?

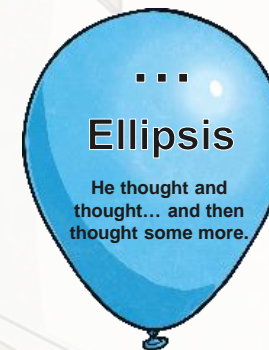
The mar-eating shark gnashed its terrifying teeth.



Hidden Punctuation

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My father went shopping; we needed some bread.



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Simone (aged nine) asked an interesting question.

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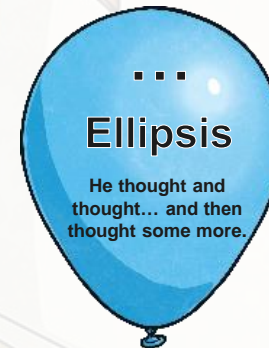
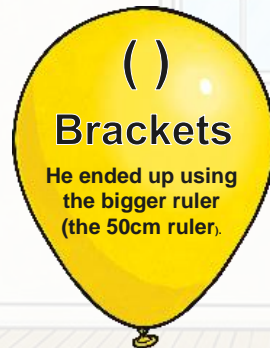
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turquoise
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It was what happened next that shocked everyone



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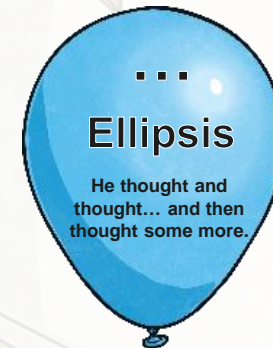
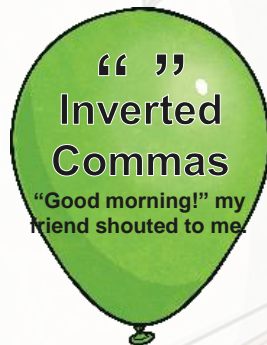
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Greta  weary and aged – hobbled towards the cottage.



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Each of the following sentences are missing one piece of popping punctuation.

Click on the correct balloon to show which piece of punctuation is missing.

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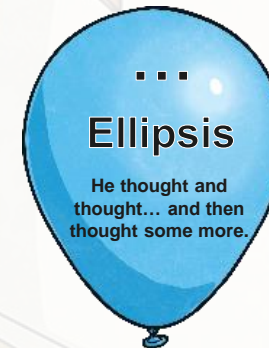
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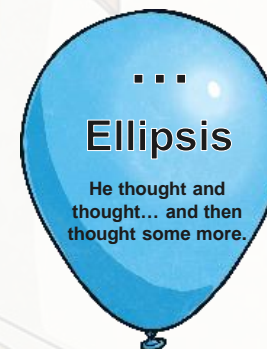
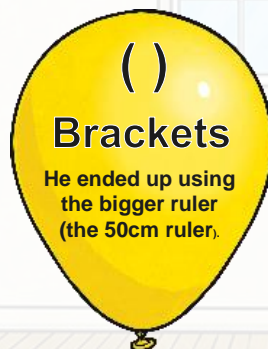
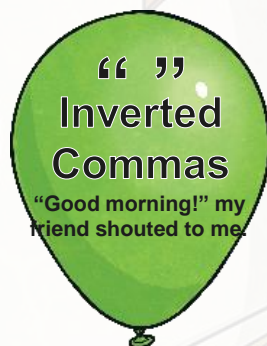
The beast's razor sharp teeth dripped with saliva.



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Which piece of punctuation is missing?

“Hurry!” called Callie, as they ran from the cave.



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Lynn (my childminder) always makes sure we have fun.

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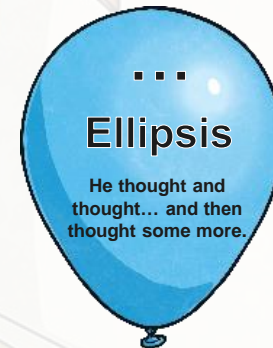
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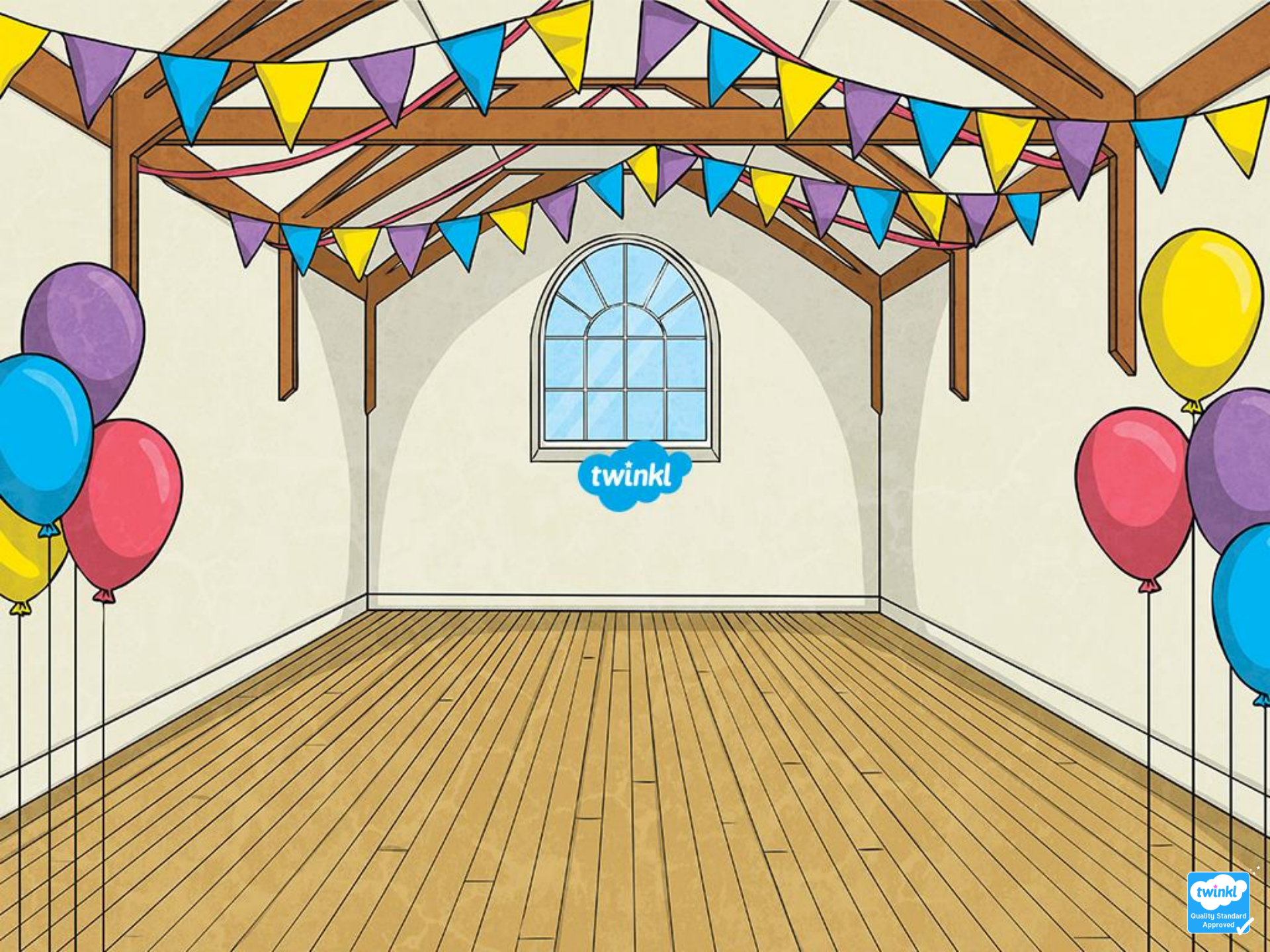
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