

PUNCTUATION

FOR 1ST- 2ND GRADE

MATERIALS

- Story of your choosing
- Pencil or pen
- Paper to write on

THIS LESSON PROVIDES PRACTICE IN USING PUNCTUATION FOR EARLY LEARNERS

OBJECTIVES

SWBAT

1. Recognize different forms of punctuation in a story
2. Verbally express how the different forms of punctuation are used

Anticipatory Set (motivation)

- Ask student(s) about their current knowledge of punctuation
- “Do you know what a question mark is? What are they used for?”

Activities

Direct Instruction (“I Do”)

1. Draw a question mark, an exclamation point, a quotation mark, a period, and a comma on a piece of paper spaced out.
2. Write the name of each punctuation point above
3. Explain what each one does
 - a. A question mark is used when someone is asking a question such as “How are you?” When reading a question mark your voice usually sounds higher at the end
 - b. A period is used at the end of a sentence. When reading, it you take a pause.
 - c. An exclamation point is used to show a big emotion. When reading an exclamation point, your voice usually gets louder whether in excitement or anger, the words may be in all capital letters.
 - d. A comma is used to connect two sentences or phrases. When reading, there is a small breath/pause.
 - e. Quotation marks are for when someone is talking. When
4. Have student(s) talk about examples of sentences with the punctuation

Guided Practice (“We Do”)

1. Write a sentence with no punctuation, ask what kind there should be and why.
2. Example: Why is the sky blue
 - a. There should be a question mark because it is a question being asked.
3. Repeat this as many times as you’d like

Independent Practice (“You Do”)

1. Students will fill out worksheet
 - a. <https://www.education.com/lesson-plan/play-with-punctuation/>

Punctuation

Pedro the Parrot needs help putting the correct punctuation at the end of each sentence. Help him complete each sentence by adding a period (.), exclamation point (!), or question mark (?).



1. When is your birthday _____
2. I love ice cream _____
3. My favorite subject is writing _____
4. Sam walks to school _____
5. How far can you run _____
6. The dog is in the dog house _____
7. What is the title of the book _____
8. We had pizza for lunch _____
9. May I have a drink of water _____
10. The cat jumped on the fence _____