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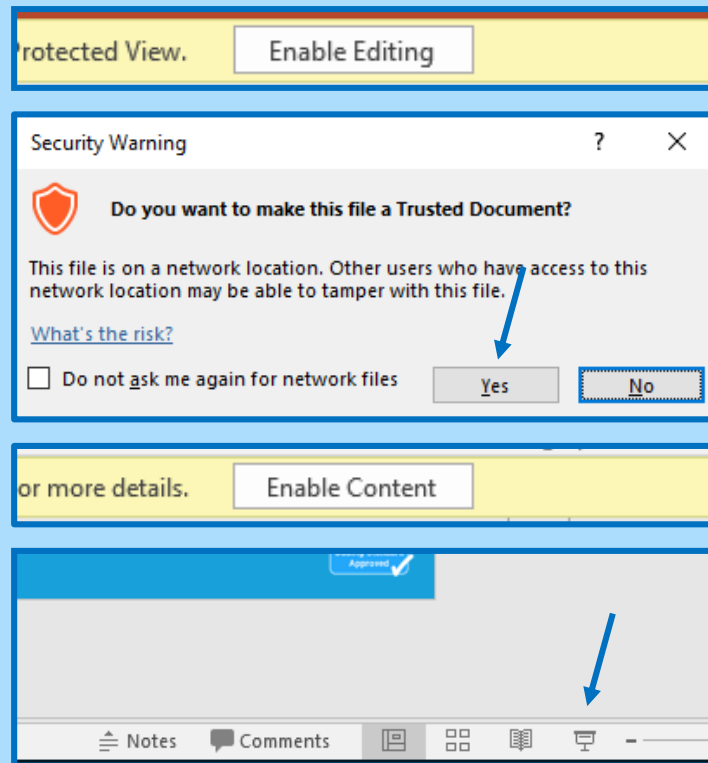
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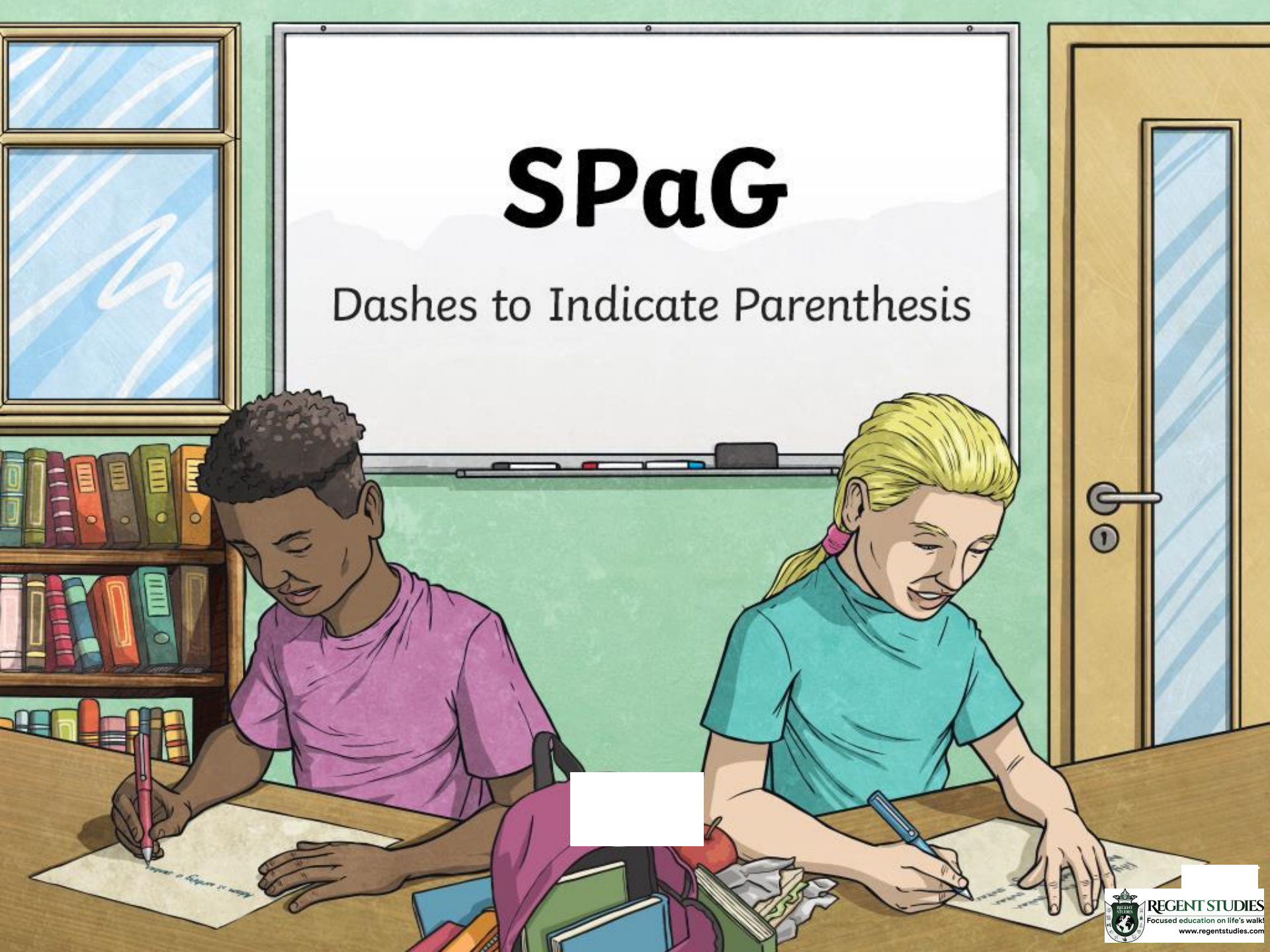


# English

## Dashes to Indicate Parenthesis

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# Aim

- To use dashes to show parenthesis.

## Success Criteria

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# Introductory Activity

# The Double Dash



## Definition of a Dash

Dashes can perform a similar function to brackets, surrounding additional information in a sentence.

**Example: The train – which was late – was heading to Paris.**

Take care not to confuse dashes and hyphens.

## Interesting Fact

On old-fashioned typewriters, two hyphens typed one after the other were used instead of a dash.

in the middle of words with no spaces.



# The Double Dash



We use a dash to add additional information. This extra information is called a parenthesis.

When a parenthesis is completely removed, the sentence is still grammatically correct.

**Example:**

The man was plainly dressed in a black suit.

A parenthesis can be separated from the rest of the sentence by commas, dashes, or brackets (all called parentheses).





# The Double Dash



Two dashes can mark out extra information inserted into a sentence which is grammatically complete without it, similar to brackets.

## Example

James Bond – though I can't quite believe how – jumped straight over the car, rolled and ran off into the woods.

Have a go at using a dash in this way on your whiteboard.

what has been added.

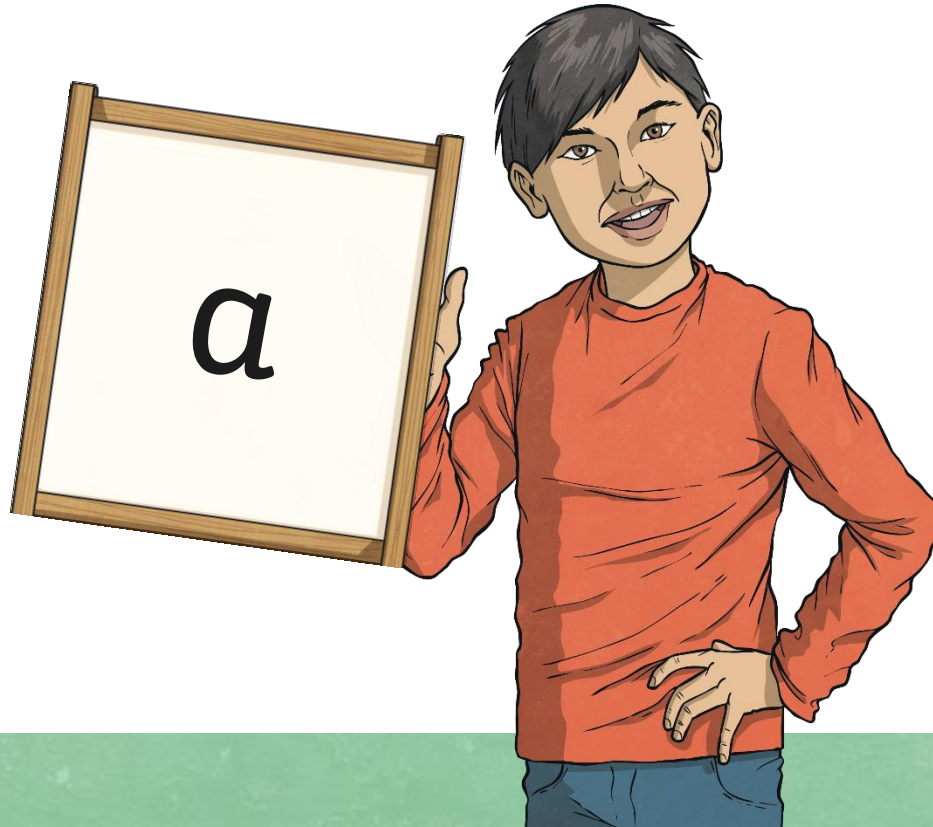
**Task:** Create a sentence about James Bond which uses dashes to add parenthesis.

# The Double Dash



Now, let's play the Dashes for Parenthesis Quiz.

Show the answers to the questions on your whiteboard. Write the correct letter on your board to show the correct answer – a, b or c.



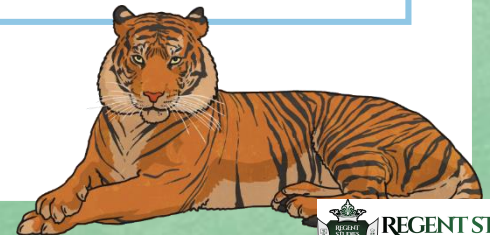
# Which sentence correctly uses dashes for parenthesis?

Click to see if each sentence correctly uses dashes for parenthesis.

a) Sumatran tigers sadly now in danger of extinction – can swim very well because – their paws are webbed. ❌

b) Sumatran tigers sadly now – in danger of extinction – can swim very well because their paws are webbed. ❌

c) Sumatran tigers – sadly now in danger of extinction – can swim very well because their paws are webbed. ✅



# Which sentence correctly uses dashes for parenthesis?

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a) Zebras – well known for their black and white stripes – can reach speeds of 40 miles per hour when running.



b) Zebras well known for their black and white stripes – can reach speeds of 40 miles per hour – when running.



c) Zebras well known – for their black and white stripes – can reach speeds of 40 miles per hour when running.



# Which sentence correctly uses dashes for parenthesis?

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a) Meerkats those extraordinary digging creatures – live together – in large groups. ❌

b) Meerkats – those extraordinary digging creatures – live together in large groups. ✅

c) Meerkats – those extraordinary digging creatures live together – in large groups. ❌



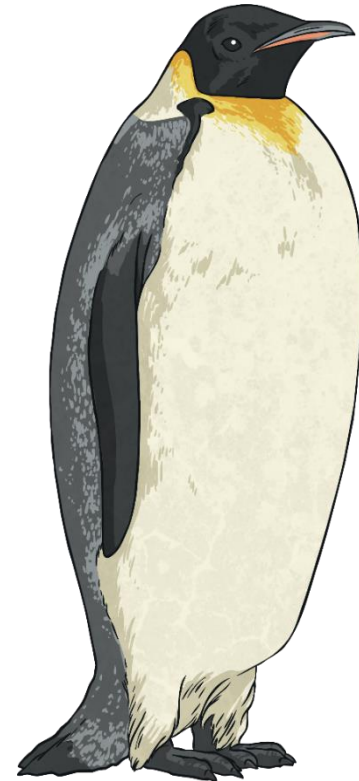
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a) Penguins – despite being unable to breathe underwater – spend very little time on land. ✓

b) Penguins – despite being unable to – breathe underwater spend very little time on land. ✗

c) Penguins despite being unable to breathe – underwater – spend very little time on land. ✗



# Which sentence correctly uses dashes for parenthesis?

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a) Many types – of monkey such as howler monkeys, spider monkeys, squirrel monkeys and marmosets – live in the Amazon rainforest.



b) Many types of monkey – such as howler monkeys, spider monkeys, squirrel monkeys and marmosets – live in the Amazon rainforest.



c) Many types of monkey such as howler monkeys – spider monkeys, squirrel monkeys and marmosets live – in the Amazon rainforest.



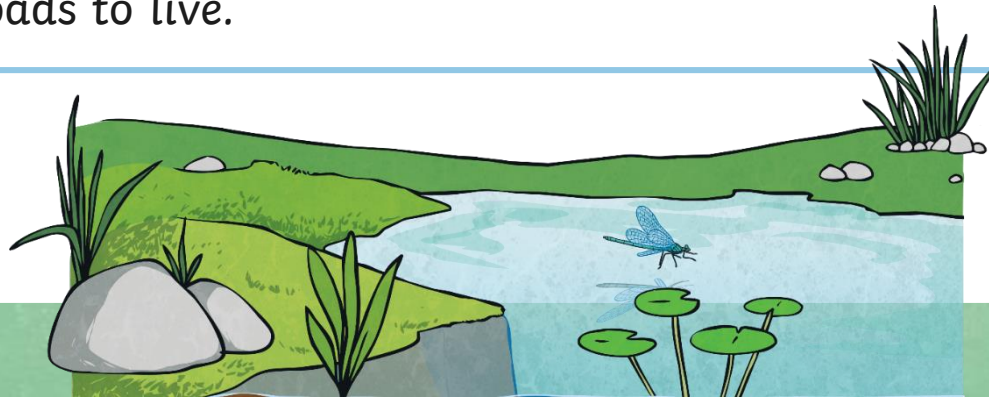
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a) Damp environments compost heaps are perfect – are the best – places for toads to live. ❌

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
c) Damp environments – compost heaps are perfect – are the best places for toads to live. ✅







# Which sentence correctly uses dashes for parenthesis?

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a) My favourite animal – and there are many animals which I adore – would have to be a hedgehog! 

b) My favourite animal and there are many animals – which I adore – would have to be a hedgehog! 

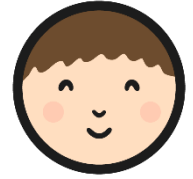
c) My favourite animal and – there are many animals which I adore would have to be – a hedgehog! 



# Independent Focused Activity



# The Dramatic Dash



The dash is a punctuation mark which can be used when you want to emphasise additional information.

## Example

It was a long wait – perhaps the longest of his life.

The sentence would still make sense without the part after the dash.

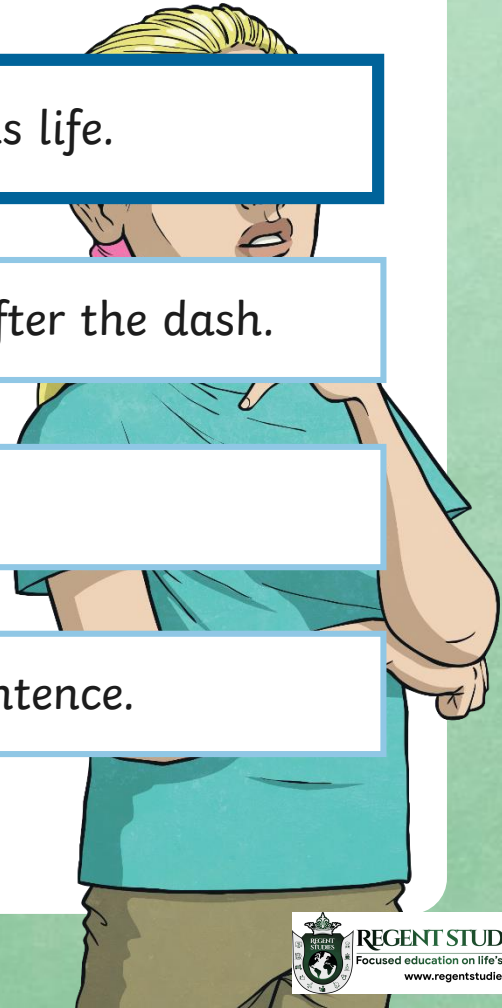
One dash is required if the parenthesis comes at the end of a sentence. A dash found by itself can be used

There should be a space before and after the dash.

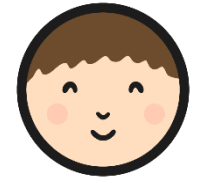
Alternatively, the dash can be used to separate parts of the sentence, the end of the sentence.

This information creates a surprise at the end of the sentence.

The idea is to shock or surprise the reader at the very end of the sentence.



# The Dramatic Dash



## The Dramatic Dash

James Bond Style

To use dashes

Look at the sentences below. Join each sentence with a dash.

### Start of the Sentence

His Aston Martin pulled into the car park -

James Bond scanned the room -

Miss Moneypenny smiled across the room -

He looked at his watch -

Write the sentences below. Remember which punctuation still needs to be grammatically correct.

Example: It was a long wait - perhaps the car was broken.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_



## The Dramatic Dash

James Bond Style

To use dashes

Look at the sentences below.

Add a dash at the end to add some dramatic information.

Example: It was a long wait - perhaps the car was broken.

Remember: when the parenthesis is completely removed, the sentence still needs to be grammatically correct.

1. His Aston Martin pulled into the car park -  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. James Bond scanned the room.  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. The underground lair was quiet apart from the low hum of machinery.  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Miss Moneypenny smiled across the room.  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. He looked at his watch.  
\_\_\_\_\_



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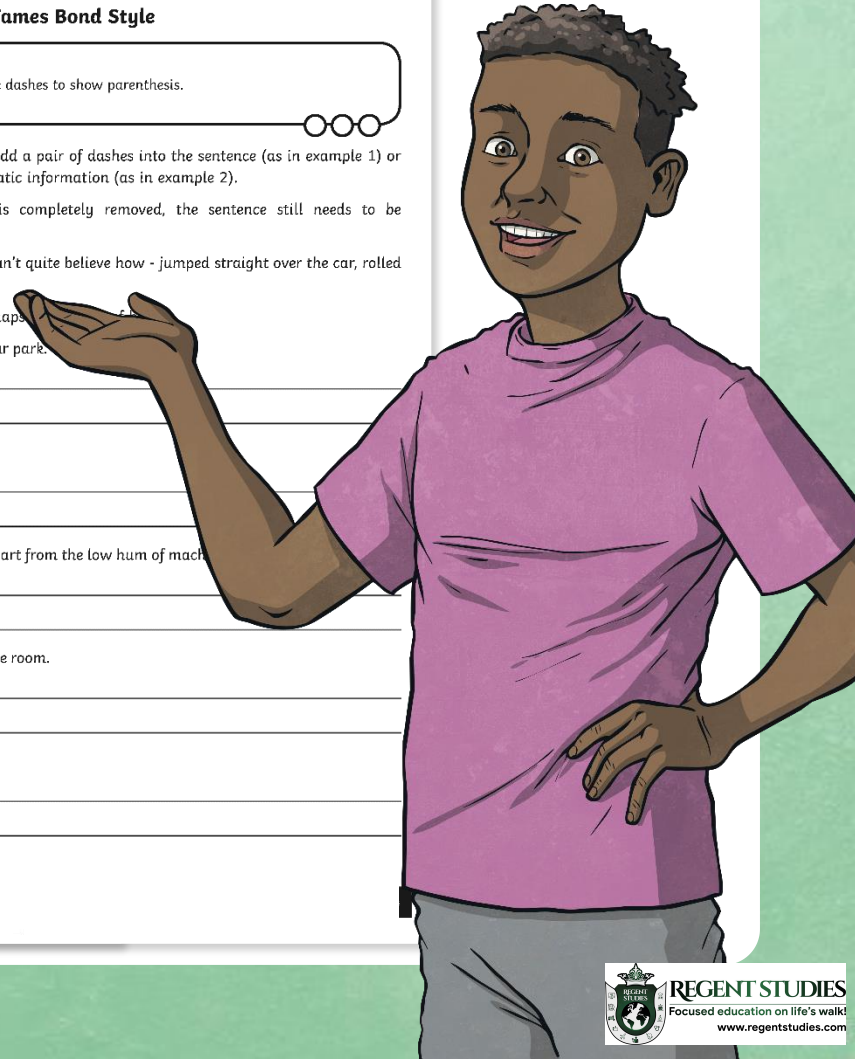
Look at the sentences below. Either add a pair of dashes into the sentence (as in example 1) or a dash at the end to add some dramatic information (as in example 2).

Remember: when the parenthesis is completely removed, the sentence still needs to be grammatically correct.

Example 1: James Bond - though I can't quite believe how - jumped straight over the car, rolled and ran off into the woods.

Example 2: It was a long wait - perhaps the car was broken.

1. His Aston Martin pulled into the car park.  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. James Bond scanned the room.  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. The underground lair was quiet apart from the low hum of machinery.  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Miss Moneypenny smiled across the room.  
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# Review Activity

# The Difference Between Dashes, Brackets and Paired Commas

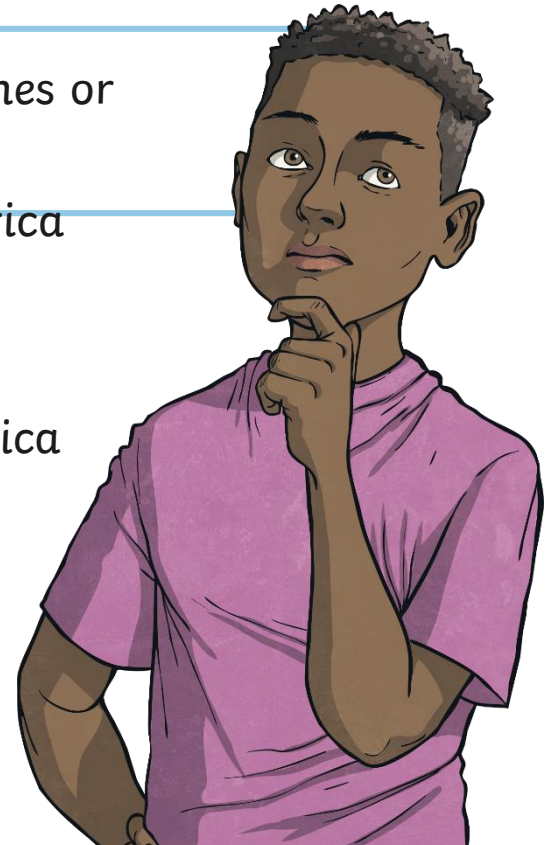


Think about these three sentences: How do you know whether to use brackets, dashes or paired commas?

Miss Moneypenny (who had travelled from America to England to see James) said the mission was a huge success.

Miss Moneypenny, who had travelled from America to England to see James, said the mission was a huge success.

Miss Moneypenny – who had travelled from America to England to see James – said the mission was a huge success.



What is the difference between the three?

# The Difference Between Dashes, Brackets and Paired Commas

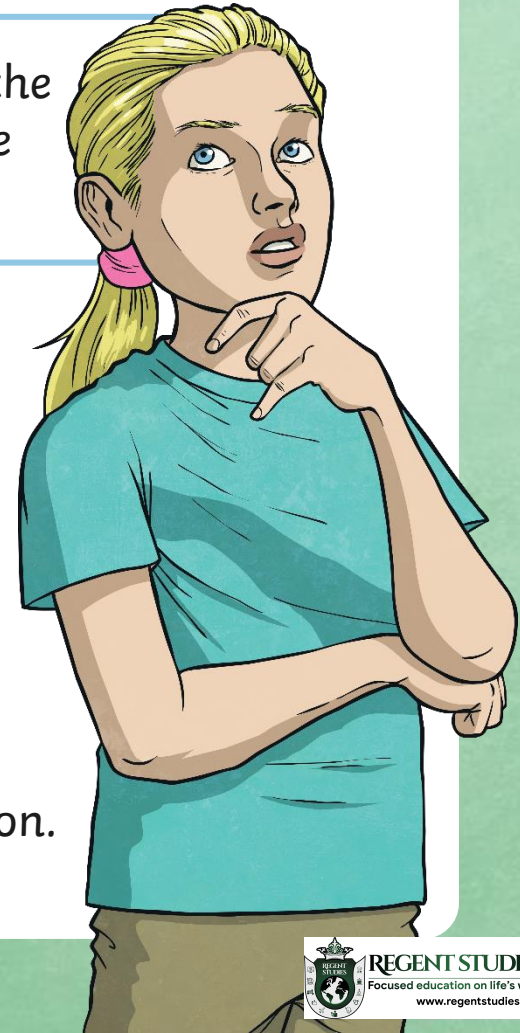


The choice of dashes, brackets or commas depends on the level of importance of the additional information in the middle of the sentence.

**Use brackets** when the information is an aside or non-essential to the reader.

**Use commas** when the information is of (roughly) equal priority to other facts in the sentence, and is something you'd like your reader to note and know.

**Use dashes** when you want to emphasise the information.



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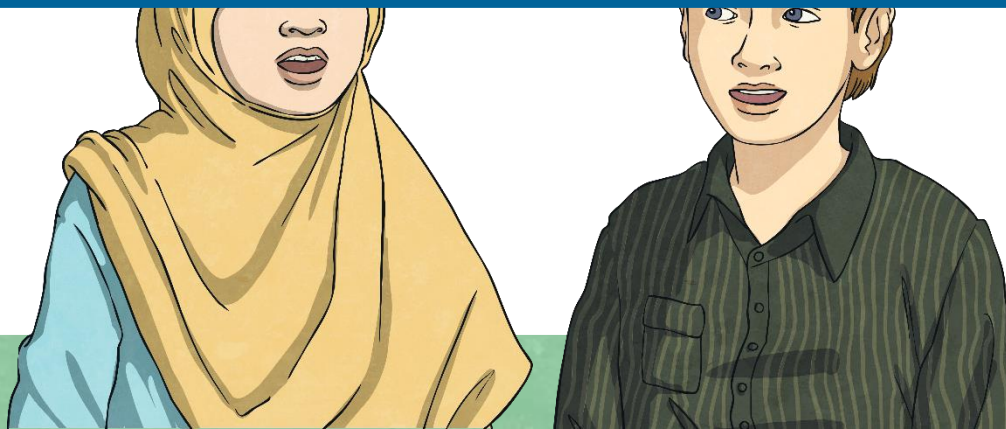


## Discuss

### Possible Answers

... writer wanted the information between the dashes

- ✓ The writer might be trying to convey the sense that the mission was so highly regarded, so worthwhile, that somebody made the effort to travel a long distance to congratulate James.
- ✓ Alternatively, it may be intended to reflect the strong relationship between James and Miss Money Penny.





# The Difference Between Dashes, Brackets and Paired Commas



Work in pairs to present the three sentences. Think about how the different punctuation would affect the way the sentence is read.

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✓ James Bond - who had saved hundreds of lives - was rewarded for his successful mission.

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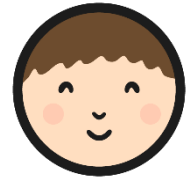
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## Consolidation Activity

# Consolidating Dashes



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To use dashes

1. Tick the sentence in each set in which dashes are used correctly.
  - a. My teacher is really funny – her jokes are really funny.  
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  - b. My sister – who usually struggles – to get up last night.  
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My sister – who usually struggles to get up last night.
  - c. The giraffe reached hungrily for the leaves this morning.  
The giraffe reached hungrily – for the leaves this morning.



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## Consolidating Dashes

To use dashes

1. Put the dashes into the following sentences.
  - a. I woke up this morning to see that it had been completely covered.
  - b. My cat who is eighteen years old sleeps peacefully.
  - c. Jake did an amazing audition for the school play.
  - d. Priya Anand the only girl on the team was the best player.
2. Add your own parenthesis to the following sentences.
  - a. Sam Taylor – \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. My dog can run very quickly – \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. The car – \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. The hedgehog curled into a ball – \_\_\_\_\_
3. Add your own parenthesis to the following sentences where the best place in the sentence to use dashes is. (at the beginning, in the middle of the sentence or at the end.)
  - a. My guinea pig managed to squeeze out from under the door.
  - b. I am so tired.
  - c. A new supermarket has opened in our town.
  - d. Buckingham Palace was the first place to be visited.



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## Consolidating Dashes

To use dashes to show parenthesis.

1. Add your own parenthesis to the following sentences. The brackets will tell you whether you should use a single dash or a pair of dashes.
 

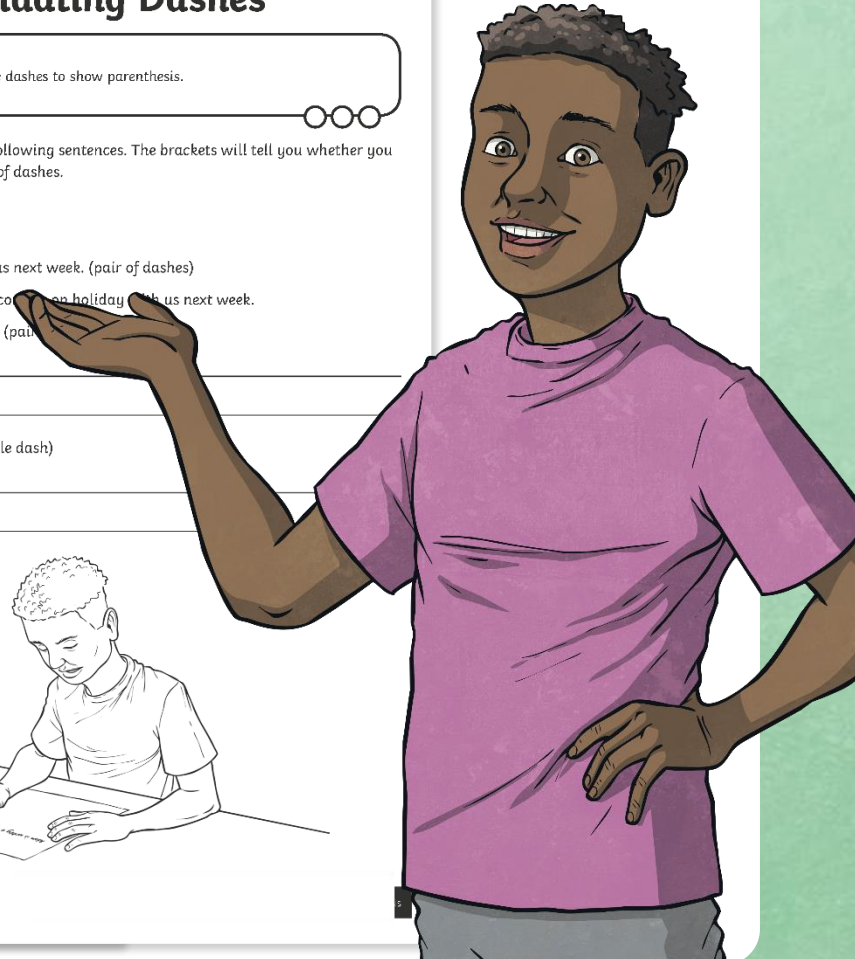
E.g. I love tennis. (single dash)

I love tennis – I play it every day.

Sonny is coming on holiday with us next week. (pair of dashes)

Sonny – my favourite soft toy – is coming on holiday with us next week.

  - a. Sam Taylor won the skipping race. (pair of dashes)
  - b. My dog can run very quickly. (single dash)



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