

Year 1 Grammar Glossary

Grammar Term	What Does It Mean?
letter	Symbol of the alphabet that represents a sound.
sentence	A complete unit of words in either writing or speech with a clear beginning and a full stop. A sentence usually has a subject and a verb. Sentences can state things, ask questions, give commands or be exclamations.
word	A word is a unit of language. A sound, group of sounds or the symbols for such sounds that have some meaning.
punctuation	The marks used in writing to separate sentences and to clarify meaning e.g. full stop, comma, and brackets.
capital letter	A capital letter is used at the beginning of a sentence or for the word I, the name of a person, place or thing.
full stop	Full stops are used to end a sentence or abbreviation.
singular	The form of a word that names or refers to only one.
plural	The form of a word that names or refers to more than one thing e.g. the plural of boy is boys.
question mark	A question mark is used at the end of a sentence that asks a question e.g. What is your favourite colour?
exclamation mark	An exclamation mark is used after a word or words that express strong feelings e.g. "Look up there!" she yelled.