

Bridget Bracket

Year 5 Punctuation: Brackets, Dashes and Commas to Indicate Parenthesis

Bridget Bracket loves to use brackets for parenthesis in her sentences. **Parenthesis** is a word, phrase or clause that is put in writing as extra information. Because the information is usually non-essential, if you took the parenthesis away the sentence would still make sense. For example:

Dinosaurs became extinct 65 million years ago.

Dinosaurs (**a type of reptile**) became extinct 65 million years ago.

Bridget Bracket wants you to read the sentences below and add the brackets around the parenthesis (the bit of extra information in each sentence).

1. Ben Nevis the tallest mountain in the UK is found in Scotland.
2. Elvis Presley who was born in 1935 was a famous American singer and actor.
3. Prince William who is a member of the royal family helped open the new hospital.
4. Mary Berry famous for her recipes is a judge in a baking competition.
5. In school, Mia a four-year-old girl was sat eating chocolate cake.
6. The black rhino an animal found in Africa is an endangered species.
7. Neil Armstrong an American astronaut was the first man on the moon.



Bridget Bracket's 2nd Challenge

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Well done for completing Bridget Bracket's first challenge! Now, can you complete her next challenge? Match the **parenthesis** with the sentence it would relate to most by drawing a line to match them together.

Sentences

Mars is one of the closest planets to Earth.
The dog chased the squirrel in the park.
We visited Madrid in the summer holidays.
Queen Victoria is the second longest-reigning British monarch.
The boy is building a snowman.

Parenthesis

1819-1901
the capital of Spain
who was wearing a red hat and mittens
a large golden retriever
also known as the red planet

