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What is Punctuation

Punctuation: The Key to Clear Writing!

DEFINITION

> Punctuation marks are symbols that help organize and clarify writing. They guide readers on how to read sentences correctly.

KEY CONCEPTS

Periods

Periods signal the end of a sentence, indicating a complete thought.

Commas

Commas separate items in a list or pause in a sentence for clarity.

Question Marks

Question marks indicate that a sentence is asking something.

Exclamation Points

Exclamation points show strong feelings or excitement in a sentence.

Quotation Marks

Quotation marks are used to show someone’s exact words.

EXAMPLES

→ I love ice cream.

→ Do you want pizza, salad, or pasta?

→ Wow! That was amazing!

MEMORY TIPS

★ Think of periods as 'full stops' to remember they end sentences.

★ Use the phrase 'pause for breath' to remember where to place commas.

★ Remember that question marks look like a hook, pulling a question out of the sentence.

COMMON MISTAKES

✗ Forgetting to use commas in lists.

✗ Using periods instead of question marks in questions.

✗ Overusing exclamation points, making writing seem too loud.

QUICK RECAP

Punctuation marks are essential for clear writing. They help organize thoughts and guide readers. Remember to use them correctly to enhance your writing!