

# Use Brackets, Dashes and Commas to Show Parenthesis

## Task 1

For each of these sentences, add some extra information (parenthesis) in the space \_\_\_\_\_. Remember to mark the start and end of your parenthesis with **brackets**, **commas** or **dashes**. Try to vary your punctuation; don't just use one!

e.g. My brother \_\_\_\_\_ never brushes his hair!

*My brother, who thinks he's really cool, never brushes his hair! OR*

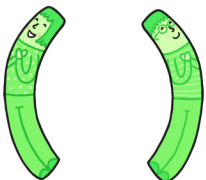
*My brother – Jason – never brushes his hair! OR*

*My brother (the scruffiest boy in history) never brushes his hair!*

- 1) I watched a horror film \_\_\_\_\_ and it really scared me!
- 2) Dinosaurs \_\_\_\_\_ were a type of reptile.
- 3) We're not allowed peanut butter \_\_\_\_\_ in school because there's a girl who's allergic to nuts.
- 4) The bats \_\_\_\_\_ sleep in our attic during the day.
- 5) I lost my phone \_\_\_\_\_ when we went on the Thunder Roller ride.
- 6) We made popcorn \_\_\_\_\_ for my birthday party.
- 7) Simone \_\_\_\_\_ doesn't speak much English yet.
- 8) We were helping the caretaker \_\_\_\_\_ to carry all the chairs into the hall.
- 9) There aren't any apples left \_\_\_\_\_ because we used them to make a pie.
- 10) 'Blue Peter' \_\_\_\_\_ has been on TV since the 1960s.
- 11) Put some cushions \_\_\_\_\_ on the floor and we can lie down to watch the film.
- 12) My dog \_\_\_\_\_ is a very curly labradoodle.

## Challenge

Now write **three sentences of your own**. Each one should be a complex sentence and include a parenthetical piece of information.



Remember to use brackets, commas or dashes.

