14.3 Punctuation: 10-minute Pack

STA KS1.E3 · about 10 minutes

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions.

The Kite Day

Source written for Revision Library (original, copyright-free). A short original story for Key Stage 1 punctuation practice.

Amara had a red kite. She took it to the park on Saturday. Her brother Ravi came too. Their dog Buddy ran across the grass. Jakub was already at the park with his blue kite. Amara packed her bag with a kite, a snack, and a bottle of water. The wind was strong and the kite flew high above the trees. Buddy barked at the kite. Ravi laughed and clapped his hands. It was a wonderful day at the park.

1 Practice question (not marked). This sentence is missing a capital letter. Circle the letter that should be a capital letter.

amara went to the park.

2 Tick the sentence that starts with a capital letter correctly.

- ☐ A) amara has a red kite.
- ☐ B) Amara has a red kite.
- ☐ C) AMara has a red kite.
- ☐ D) amara Has a red kite.

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3 Put the correct punctuation mark in the box at the end of this sentence.

Ravi ran across the grass [ ]

(1)

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4 Tick the word that fills the gap correctly.

Yesterday ___ played with my kite.

- ☐ A) i
- ☐ B) I
- ☐ C) Ii
- ☐ D) 1

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5 This sentence has two words that need a capital letter. Write the sentence out correctly in the box.

Amara flew her kite on saturday in august.

(2)

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6 Look at the apostrophe in each sentence. Tick to show whether it is a contraction (short form) or shows possession (belonging).

(a) The dog's lead was on the floor. **(1)**

- ☐ A) contraction
- ☐ B) possession

(b) Buddy can't find his ball. **(1)**

- ☐ A) contraction
- ☐ B) possession

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7 This sentence from the story is missing two capital letters and a full stop. Write it out correctly.

buddy barked at the kite and ravi laughed

(2)

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8 Write one sentence about the story with an apostrophe to show a contraction (short form), and one sentence with an apostrophe to show possession (belonging).

(2)

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Question 1

Practice question - not marked. Teacher may read the sentence aloud and check pupils understand what to do.	-

Answer: **a (the first letter) should be a capital A: Amara went to the park.**

Question 2

B ticked only (cao)	**B1**

Answer: **B**

Question 3

full stop . given (cao, no other mark accepted)	**B1**

Answer: **.**

Question 4

B ticked only (cao). The word I is always written with a capital letter.	**B1**

Answer: **B**

Question 5

Saturday capitalised correctly	**B1**
August capitalised correctly	**B1**

Answer: **Amara flew her kite on Saturday in August.**

Question 6

(a) possession ticked (cao). The lead belongs to the dog.	**B1**

(a) Answer: **possession**

(b) contraction ticked (cao). Can't is short for cannot.	**B1**

(b) Answer: **contraction**

Question 7

both capital letters correct: Buddy and Ravi (cao, both needed for the mark)	**B1**
full stop placed correctly at the end of the sentence (cao)	**B1**

Answer: **Buddy barked at the kite and Ravi laughed.**

Question 8

sensible sentence about the story using a contraction with the apostrophe correctly placed (oe), e.g. couldn't, didn't, wasn't	**B1**
sensible sentence about the story using an apostrophe correctly to show possession (oe), e.g. Amara's kite, the kite's tail	**B1**

Answer: **Contraction: Buddy couldn't stop barking. Possession: The kite's tail was long.**

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