



Punctuation Detective

You are going to use your skills to tell me exactly what punctuation you can find in these sentences. You will set your work out like this:

In this sentence I have found two commas, a semi-colon and an exclamation mark.

Mark went to the shop; then the park to meet Gary, Paul, Bob and Spot (but he wouldn't share his sweets!)

Commas	Semi-colons	Colons	Dashes	Question Marks
Hyphens	Speech Marks	Apostrophes	Exclamation Marks	

You are looking for all the punctuation marks listed in the box above. Good Luck!

- **"What a brilliant joke!" said Peter**
- **She said nervously, "I'm just a harmless pupil. Why are you trying to confuse me with all this grammar?"**
- **"The cabin's on fire! The ship's going to –" Abruptly, all fell silent.**
- **My Granada keeps ferrets; my grandmother poisonous snakes.**
- **At yesterday's assembly, Mrs Farrall said that she was particularly pleased with the table manners at lunchtime; that the school had won their netball match and that the behaviour in the yard had improved.**
- **Mr Pitchford was pleased that all the class were up-to-date.**
- **Many workers were late this morning: the fog caused delays on the road.**

Extension

You have to write a passage from a story (about anything you want.) Your work will be marked according to the number of punctuation marks you use correctly in your passage