

Punctuation Exercises

A. Write the correct punctuation:

1. Which punctuation mark is used to end a question?
2. Which punctuation mark is used to show strong emotion?
3. Which punctuation mark is used to introduce a list?
4. Which punctuation is used to show exact spoken words?
5. Which mark is used to join two related sentences?
6. Which punctuation marks add extra information inside a sentence?
7. Which mark is used to separate items in a list?
8. Which punctuation can show suspense or an unfinished idea?

B. Fill in the Blank (Use the correct punctuation mark)

1. I asked her, "Where are you going ____"
2. The sky grew darker ____ the wind started to blow.
3. He brought everything he needed ____ water, food, and a map.
4. The lion roared ____ loudly and powerfully.
5. My sister said ____ "I will come with you."
6. The forest was silent ____ too silent.
7. The cave was cold ____ dark ____ and dangerous.
8. The teacher gave us a hint ____ "Read the question carefully."

C. Correct any mistake in the sentences

1. where are you going
2. The wind was strong it shook the trees
3. "stop right there she shouted
4. The explorers packed water food ropes and flashlights
5. The mountain cold and tall was covered in fog
6. I cant believe this
7. He looked around and whispered I think someone is here
8. The storm was coming

D. Choose the Correct Sentence

1. a) The lake roars like a wild beast.
b) The lake roars like a wild beast?
c) The lake roars like a wild beast!
2. a) He brought three things water food and a blanket.
b) He brought three things: water, food, and a blanket.
c) He brought three things; water food and a blanket.
3. a) "The storm is near." she said.
b) "The storm is near!" she said.
c) "The storm is near", she said.
4. a) The cave—dark and cold—was silent.
b) The cave dark and cold—was silent.
c) The cave—dark and cold was silent.

Punctuation Exercises – Answer Key

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C.

1. Where are you going?

2. The wind was strong; it shook the trees.

3. "Stop right there!" she shouted.

4. The explorers packed water, food, ropes, and flashlights.

5. The mountain—cold and tall—was covered in fog.
6. I can't believe this!
7. He looked around and whispered, "I think someone is here."
8. The storm was coming.

D.

1. a) The lake roars like a wild beast.
2. b) He brought three things: water, food, and a blanket.
3. b) "The storm is near!" she said.
4. a) The cave—dark and cold—was silent.