

# Use Brackets to Show Parenthesis (Extra Information)

Sometimes we want to add a bit of extra information to a sentence as an afterthought. If we left out this extra word or phrase, the main sentence would still make sense. This is called parenthesis. There's an example of parenthesis in the title of this worksheet!

You have some sets of words which make separate sentences. With each one, there is also parenthesis (an extra bit of information) in brackets. Can you cut up the cards and put the sentence in the correct order with the parenthesis in the right place? Don't forget your sentence punctuation!

e.g. *My brother **(who thinks he's really cool)** never brushes his hair!*

never

my

brushes

brother

hair

his

(who thinks he's really cool)

## Extension

Now write three sentences of your own. Each one should include a parenthetical (extra) piece of information. Remember to use brackets!

were	of	reptiles	types	pterosaurs
dinosaurs	(which lived millions of years ago)			and

have	rabbit	at	fluffy	an
extremely	home	I	(called Flopsy)	

play	is	let's	because	football
sunbathing	mum	not	(in the garden)	
seaside	too	small	the	we
go	whenever	best	to	I'm
the	for	rides	(or a theme park)	

# Answers

Here are some possible answers for the SEN sentence-ordering activity. There may be other variations which would also be correct:

1. Dinosaurs and pterosaurs (which lived millions of years ago) were types of reptiles.
2. I have an extremely fluffy rabbit (called Flopsy) at home.
3. Whenever we go to the seaside (or a theme park) I'm too small for the best rides.
4. Because mum is sunbathing (in the garden) let's not play football.