Lesson 1

Astronauts

SPaG Checklist

Can you...?

Underline and correct the spelling mistakes in this sentence.

Yesterday, I had a terrible accidant when I fell off my bisycle.

_____

_____

I did it! ☐

Can you...?

Insert inverted commas into this direct speech sentence.

Would you like to come to our spaceship? asked the alien.

I did it! ☐

Can you...?

Underline all the verbs in this sentence.

James stirred the cake mixture, poured it into the rocket-shaped tin and put it into the oven.

I did it! ☐

Can you...?

Add an adjective to this sentence.

The ☐ **snake slithered through the grass.**

I did it! ☐

Can you...?

Add a full stop, exclamation mark or question mark to the end of this sentence.

What a gigantic planet that is ☐

I did it! ☐

Can you...?

Are the following letters consonants or vowels?

E ☐

T ☐

I did it! ☐

Lesson 2

Astronauts

A Rain Song

Read the poem and then answer the questions on the next page.

Tinkle, tinkle, lightly fall
On the peach buds, pink and small;
Tip the tiny grass and twinkle
On the clover, green and tall.

Tinkle, tinkle, faster now,
Little raindrops, smite and sprinkle,
Cherry-bloom and apple-bough,
Pelt the elms, and show them how
You can dash and splash, splash, splash!

While the thunder rolls and mutters,
With the lightning's flash and flash.
Then twist into curls
Of a million misty swirls,
And thread the air with silver,
And embroider it with pearls!

And patter, patter, patter
To a quicker time and clatter
On the streaming window pane.
Rain, rain on the leaves and the eaves,
And the turning weather vane.

Lesson 2

Questions

1. Why do you think that the author repeats words like 'tinkle', 'splash' and 'patter' throughout the text?

2. What happens to the speed of the rain over the course of the poem?

3. Which two verbs does the poet use to talk about the thunder's actions?

4. 'On the clover, green and tall'

   What might a clover be in this sentence?

Lesson 3

Astronauts

Alien Transmission

The spaceship has been approached by a group of friendly aliens! They are trying to send messages to the astronauts but, unfortunately, they are full of mistakes! Can you help the aliens fix their sentences so that the astronauts can read them?

Yelow dart frogs is extremly poisonus and dangerus creachurs!

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_____

i sumtimes play basketbawl with my neybour becos he were a amazing player.

_____

_____

at the super market the peopel, in the queue were begining to feel inpatient.

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_____

Is an yung rabbit called a kitten!

_____

_____

Last night Joe watch a grate football match, on the tellyvishun?

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Lesson 4

Astronauts

Spot Mr Whoops' Mistakes

Mr Whoops is a little bit clumsy...OK, he's very clumsy! Even though he's really trying hard with his writing, he's still accidentally misspelt 13 of his year 3/4 key spelling words. Could you then correct the words at the bottom of the sheet and create a list for Mr. Whoops to practise?

Highlight Mr Whoops' mistakes in the passage of text.

Then correct the words at the bottom of the sheet and create a list for Mr. Whoops to practise.

Granny Whoops' Dinner Disaster

My favorite day of the week has always been a Sunday. Even as a young boy, I rimembur Sundays being diferent and speshial. Most weeks, I would visit Granny Whoops' house, where we would have roast beef, mashed potatos and Yorkshire puddings. Allthough she was famos for her huge portions, I would make every last mouthful disapere. One Sunday lunchtime, I accidentilly tripped while carrying my plate. Luckily, Granny corght it but got covered in gravy! From then on, Granny made me promize never to walk around with crockery ever again. She's such an over-cautious womin!

Mr. Whoops needs to practise these words:

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
	_____	

Thanks for your help! I'll get practising these words.
If only I could find where I'd left my pencil...

Lesson 5

Question Mark, Exclamation Mark or Full Stop?

Add question marks, exclamation marks and full stops to the boxes to complete the sentences.

a) "Watch out_" cried Elly. "Are you OK_"

b) What time is it

c) I'm so angry

d) This is the best present ever

e) Dad is cooking dinner tonight

f) Jack walked over to Lucas_
"How are you_" asked Jack.

Question Mark, Exclamation Mark or Full Stop?

2. Now, write your own question for this picture.

3. Now, write your own sentence for this picture.

4. Now, use an exclamation mark in your sentence for this picture.

Answers

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Section 1

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Section 2

"Would you like to come to our spaceship?" asked the alien.

Section 3

James stirred the cake mixture, poured it into the tin and put it into the oven.

Section 4

The _____ snake slithered through the grass.

Any appropriate adjective.

Section 5

What a gigantic planet that is!

Section 6

E - **vowel**

T - **consonant**

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1. **Accept reasonable answers relating to the sound that rain makes when it falls, e.g.**

- **because the words sound like rainfall**
- **they are all words that sound like the rain when it drips**
- **so the reader can imagine what the rain sounds like**

2. **The rain speeds up/gets heavier.**

3. **The poet uses two verbs: rolls and mutters.**

4. **Accept any reasonable answer based on the description provided (green and tall) in the context of other flowers and grass being mentioned. E.g. A clover might be a plant/a flower/a bud.**
Do not accept 'leaf'.

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1. **Yellow dart frogs are extremely poisonous and dangerous creatures.**

2. **I sometimes play basketball with my neighbour because he is an amazing player.**

3. **At the supermarket, the people in the queue were beginning to feel impatient.**

4. **Is a young rabbit called a kitten?**

5. **Last night, Joe watched a great football match on the television.**

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favourite	remember	different
special	potatoes	promise
although	famous	disappear
accidentally	caught	woman

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Clue 1: It's a Mystery!

an	astronaut
a	spacesuit
a	planet
a	rocket
an	asteroid

a	comet
an	alien
an	eclipse
a	star
a	helmet

I used **a** the most so that means the culprit must be **male**.

Question Mark, Exclamation Mark or Full Stop? **Answers**

a) "Watch out**!**" cried Ely. "Are you OK**?**"

b) What time is it**?**

c) I'm so angry**!**

d) This is the best present ever**!**

e) Dad is cooking dinner tonight**.**

f) Jack walked over to Lucas**.** "How are you**?**" asked Jack.

g) The teacher was reading an interesting book**.**

h) Would you like to watch a movie**?**

i) Congratulations on winning the cup**!**

j) Everyone was walking towards the big tent**.** "Roll up, roll up**!**" yelled the Ringmaster.

k) Katie was wearing her favourite dress**.**

l) What is your favourite flavour of ice cream**?**

2. At teacher's discretion.

3. At teacher's discretion.

4. At teacher's discretion.