

Rewrite these sentences using an apostrophe showing possession.

- 1 Donnas shoes were covered in mud.

- 2 Take your chairs and put them in Mr Browns classroom.

- 3 The parrots feathers were blue and red. *(singular)*

- 4 The soldiers boots were highly polished. *(plural)*

- 5 The sailors clothes were crumpled. *(singular)*

Rewrite these sentences by shortening the verbs and using apostrophes of omission.

- 1 I can not finish my story yet.

- 2 You have not been swimming for ages.

- 3 Your mum would not like to see you looking so grubby.

- 4 This skateboard has not got alloy wheels.

- 5 Tom is not a good runner.

Can you rewrite this sentence with an apostrophe of omission?

Can you not make a louder noise than that?

Test your punctuation

This passage has had all the punctuation taken out. Your challenge is to rewrite the passage below putting in the correct punctuation. The number of capital letters, full stops, commas, question marks, exclamation marks, apostrophes and sets of speech marks is given beneath the passage. Can you find the correct home for them all?

Read through the passage before you start and try to 'hear' it in your head. Remember, punctuation gives a 'voice' to your writing.

*the children made a lot of noise as they approached through the wood
were tramping through the woods they sang were tramping through the fields their
voices let us know they were coming so we built up the camp fire and began to heat up
the beans and sausages we knew they would be hungry after the hike
here you are at last I shouted as soon as the first boy who I think was called daniel
appeared through the trees quickly followed by four others they looked bedraggled but
happy
did you enjoy that i asked
yeah they all yelled it was great
soon frank jenkins appeared bringing up the rear he beckoned to me and muttered
solemnly in my ear im afraid theres been a problem*

Punctuation marks missing	
Capital letters	19
Full stops	9
Commas	8
Question marks	1
Exclamation marks	3
Apostrophes	3
Sets of speech marks	7

