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1 Select **both** of the statements that are correct.

Tick the boxes next to **ALL** correct answers

- [ ] We use a pair of commas to mark out non-essential information.
- [ ] We use commas when the information is of roughly equal priority to the rest of the information in the sentence.
- [ ] Two commas can mark out extra information inserted into a sentence.

2 Select the sentence that uses **commas** to show **parenthesis** correctly.

Tick **ONE** box next to the correct answer

- [ ] James Brown a 12 year old boy, from London, won the writing competition.
- [ ] James Brown, a 12 year old boy from London, won the writing competition.
- [ ] James Brown, a 12 year old boy, from London, won the writing competition.
- [ ] James Brown a 12 year old, boy from London won the, writing competition.

3 Select the sentence that uses **commas** to show **parenthesis** correctly.

Tick **ONE** box next to the correct answer

- [ ] Chen took his dog, a golden retriever for a, walk in the park.
- [ ] Chen took, his dog a golden retriever, for a walk in the park.
- [ ] Chen took his dog a golden retriever, for a walk in the park.
- [ ] Chen took his dog, a golden retriever, for a walk in the park.

4 Select the sentence that uses **commas** to show **parenthesis** correctly.

Tick **ONE** box next to the correct answer

- [ ] My dad in particular, finds some of her antics funny.
- [ ] My dad in particular, finds some of her antics, funny.
- [ ] My dad in, particular finds some, of her antics, funny.
- [ ] My dad, in particular, finds some of her antics funny.

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5 Select the sentence that uses **commas** to show **parenthesis** correctly.

Tick **ONE** box next to the correct answer

- [ ] I like to go swimming usually in, the summer, to keep fit and stay healthy.
- [ ] I like to go, swimming usually in the summer, to keep fit and stay healthy.
- [ ] I like to go swimming, usually in the summer, to keep fit and stay healthy.
- [ ] I like to go swimming usually in the summer to, keep fit, and stay healthy.

6 Select **both** sentences that use commas to show **parentheses** correctly.

Tick the boxes next to **ALL** correct answers

- [ ] My pet spider hid, under the table away, from my cat.
- [ ] The roses looked lovely, full of colour and brightened up, the garden.
- [ ] The birds, flying south for winter, made lots of noise as they travelled above the house.
- [ ] The huge shark, with sharp teeth, swam menacingly around the unsuspecting swimmer.

7 Select **both** sentences that use commas to show **parentheses** correctly.

Tick the boxes next to **ALL** correct answers

- [ ] James read the book, Harry Potter, for the second time because it was his favourite.
- [ ] My brother, is 8 years old, and I am 10 years old.
- [ ] The Christmas tree, covered in decorations, was a wonderful sight in the reception area.
- [ ] It was lucky that, the boy, was wearing a crash helmet when he had the accident.

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8 Select **both** sentences that use commas to show **parentheses** correctly.

Tick the boxes next to **ALL** correct answers

- [ ] The explorer tired, after a long hike, sat down and had a rest.
- [ ] The athlete now celebrating his victory, shook hands, with the spectators at the event.
- [ ] The explorer, tired after a long hike, sat down and had a rest.
- [ ] The athlete, now celebrating his victory, shook hands with the spectators at the event.

9 Select **both** sentences that use commas to show **parentheses** correctly.

Tick the boxes next to **ALL** correct answers

- [ ] You can buy lots of things, at the market, which is open on Saturdays.
- [ ] There, in the reflection of the mirror, I saw him staring back at me.
- [ ] On Mondays, James plays football, in the park.
- [ ] I was watching TV, like I do most days, to pass the time.

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10 Select **both** sentences that use commas to show **parentheses** correctly.

Tick the boxes next to **ALL** correct answers

- [ ] Chen runs, twice a day, because he is training for a competition.
- [ ] Chen's bat, the one he got for his birthday, was broken so he could not play cricket.
- [ ] Ruth and James, participants in the rock climbing event, were clever and daring.
- [ ] I couldn't reach the book, I wanted, from the top shelf.

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