

1 Which definition of a **dash is correct?**

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

- ☐ A dash is the same as a hyphen.
- ☐ A dash is used to insert additional information, called a 'parenthesis'.
- ☐ When a dash and the parenthesis is removed, the sentence no longer makes sense.

2 Which of these punctuation marks is a **dash?**

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

- ☐ ,
- ☐ :
- ☐ _
- ☐ (

3 Look at these sentences and decide which use **dashes for parenthesis correctly.**

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

- ☐ The blue whale - the largest animal ever to have lived on Earth - can grow up to 30 metres long.
- ☐ My pet spider has made a lovely little - home for himself- under the stairs.
- ☐ Tigers - recognisable by their dark, vertical stripes - prey on deer and wild boar.

4 Where should the **dashes be placed?**

The shop which specialised in
fishing equipment also sold tents.

A
B
C
D

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

- ☐ B
- ☐ A
- ☐ C
- ☐ D

5 Where should the **dashes be placed?**

Penguins despite not being able to
breathe underwater spend very
little time on land.

A
B
C
D

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

- ☐ A
- ☐ B
- ☐ D
- ☐ C

6 Where should the **dashes be placed?**

My brother the scruffiest boy in
history never brushes his hair.

A
B
C
D

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

- ☐ C
- ☐ A
- ☐ D
- ☐ B

7 Where should the **dash be placed?**

Jamal bought himself a bike he
had just been paid.

A
B
C

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

- ☐ B
- ☐ A
- ☐ C

8 Where should the **dashes be placed?**

We were helping the caretaker Mr
Jones take all the chairs into the
hall.

A
B
C
D

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

- ☐ A
- ☐ B
- ☐ C
- ☐ D