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### ОБУЧЕНИЕ ПУНКТУАЦИИ НА УРОКАХ АНГЛИЙСКОГО ЯЗЫКА В 10 КЛАССЕ

#### **COMMON PUNCTUATION MARKS**

(SUMBOLS AND TYPOGRAPHIC CONVENTIONS)

- . = full stop, period, dot, (decimal) point
- , = comma
- : = colon
- ; = semi-colon
- ? =question mark
- ! = exclamation mark
- -- = dash
- ' = apostrophe (as in Ann's)
- " " = quotation marks, double quotes
- ' ' = single quotes
- = hyphen (when used to separate parts of words)

# Some sentences below have mistakes. Find these sentences and correct the mistake.

1. 'The Times' has a Sunday colour supplement. 2. We often buy french bread in the form of think sticks. 3. Jane Austin's 'Sense and sensibility' made a really great impression on me. 4. Sigmund

Freud was an Austrian doctor who developed a new system for understanding the way that people's minds work. 5. Mecca is a city in Saudi arabia where the prophet Muhammad was born. 6. 'Casablanca' with Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman is considered an all -time classic. 7. The Rolling Stones, one of the most successful groups ever, first became popular in 1963. 8. October is the tenth month of the year between september and november. 9. The romans are remembered as skilled and effective soldiers, great builders and engineers.

# There are no commas in the sentences below. Say where they must be or may be.

I Well Matilda aren't you going outside with the others? 2. Oh I was. I was flying past the stars on sliver wings. 3. They passed the greengrocer and then they came out At the other side of the village. 4. You won't tell anyone about this will you? 5. Calm yourself down child calm yourself down. 6. It is quite possible that you are a phenomenon but I'd rather you didn't think about your self like that. 7. "By the way" Ma said "did you do anything about the car?" 8. She was a sweet gentle and caring creature. 9. It was cool dark and very unpleasant downstairs. 10. If you write an email now he will get it immediately Bess believe me.

## Use commas where and if necessary to complete the sentence.

I. Tilts is the problem which we're solving at the moment. 2. Tell him about it when he comes. 3. If they arrive early they will be able to have a short tour of the city. 4. The man whose face seems familiar to you is our principal. 5. I have been to Rhodes Crete and some other islands of the Mediterranean.

# Use semi - colons instead of commas and full stops where it is possible.

1. Taylor was an outstanding actor. With a few telling strokes he characterized King Lear magnificently. 2. The breakfast menu consisted of fruit juice or cereal, a boiled egg, toast and marmalade, and a pot of tea or coffee. 3. I had been aware that they sometimes disagreed violently. I had not realised that they were seriously contemplating divorce. 4. The room was bright, spacious and very cosy. 5. Everybody knows that, don't they? 6. She slowly, carefully, deliberately moved the box. 7. She is expected later today. She is not expected to open the conference. 8. She bought eggs, butter, bread and coffee.

Here is a student's answer, but the punctuation, : capital letters and paragraphs have been taken out. Add the necessary punctuation and capital letters and divide it into paragraphs.

beliefs and superstitions in my country many people in my country are still superstitious especial people who live in the country or older people however quite a few young people also believe in superstitions one common superstition is called the evil eye this means that if you say something good about someone you will bring them bad luck for example if you tell parents their child is very beautiful or very clever and then something bad happens to that child the parents will blame you and say you gave it the evil eye other superstitions are linked to objects many people believe that a rabbits foot brings good luck whenever they go on a journey, they take a rabbits foot with them another superstition is that if a woman sits at the corner of a table she will never get married I personally don't take superstition seriously nevertheless I think

traditions like these make life more interesting and they also connect modern life in the city to when more people lived in villages in the country

Dear Sir or Madam I am writing this letter to express (1)\_\_\_ dissatisfaction with the service offered to my family and myself (2)\_\_our recent stay at your hotel. I (3)\_\_completed the Feedback Form but I also wish to add a (4) \_\_\_further points. Firstly, (5)\_\_arrival we were told the bungalow we had booked was not free and we (6)\_\_\_offered instead accommodation in rooms, which we did (7)\_\_\_want. The room service was very slow. On the first day, I (8)\_\_\_to wait one hour for a cup of coffee. There was, as promised, a TV in the room, but it was (9)\_\_\_of order. Regrettably, we were not happy with the recreational facilities either. Although (10)\_\_were two tennis courts, they were booked up most of the time and we did not get a chance to play. Finally, our evening entertainment consisted (11)\_sitting in the bar all night ((12)\_\_\_ was very pricey), as the only other choice (13)\_\_\_an extremely noisy disco. I hope (14)\_\_appreciate my disappointment will consequently take action to improve the service (15)\_\_\_your hotel. Your faithfully, David Murray

Dear Sue. Thanks for your letter. sorry I've taken so long to write but it's taken some time to get used to the way of life here. Just finding your way around is quite tricky. You have to look out for cars coming from the wrong side of 'the road! Anyway. Boston is just great! It's fantastic for shopping. They've got these huge 'malls' where you can get just about anything and there are shops that stay open till really late. One of the things they have here, which we don't, is a drugstore. It's not a chemist's, exactly,

because it sells all kinds of things. It does sell medicine but you can also get a pizza there if you want! I've noticed they really do things in a big way here. The buildings, the cars, even the food they eat. The portions you get in restaurants are huge. You ask for chicken and they bring you half a chicken! And the cokes are huge too. As for TV - well it's awful, but at least there are thousands of channels (and stacks of commercials). The music's great though - so many different kinds. Anyway, there's lots more to write about the US of A, but I'll save it for my next letter. I've made some great buddies (as we say here), and were going out on the town tonight. That's all for now. Write soon. Luke

### Complete this letter using one informal word

Pear John. Thanks for your letter. I'm really (1)\_\_ to hear that you're enjoying your new job. and it's (2)\_\_ news to hear you're going to be in town on Saturday. I'll come to (3)\_\_you from the airport, but I (4)\_\_your flight details. Could you (5)\_\_ me have them In the next few days? You can fax them to the office anytime. I'll have the (6)\_\_with me at the weekend - I hope you don't (7)\_\_ too much. I know that you normally (8)\_\_ children, but I'm (9)\_\_even you will like them. They're very quiet and never (10)\_\_. Anyway, they'll be with their (11)\_\_most of the time and we won't see them much. I thought we'd go to a concert on Saturday night. I want to go and (12)\_\_the tickets this morning. (13)\_\_I'll finish off now. Bye for now, Michael