

# Is it a sentence?

## Objective

To combine the previous activities and recognise a sentence.

#### **Teaching point**

A sentence starts with a capital letter, ends with a full stop and makes sense by itself.

#### What you will need

Copymaster 8 as an OHT.

### Activity

- Begin by asking children how they can check for a sentence.
- · Read the examples together.
- Ask children to give a 'thumbs up' or 'thumbs down' to indicate if they are sentences.

## Small group activity

- · Children each have a copy of the Copymaster.
- They speak each example out loud to decide if it is a sentence.
- · Children work in pairs to make corrections.

## Challenge

- Use a piece of continuous text which does not contain conversation. In this
  harder example, there are mistakes in punctuation and sentence sense.
- Read aloud and correct as necessary.

They looked round the room There were spoors in two porridge bowls and the small bowl was empty baby bear's chair was broken in pieces on the floor. suddenly they heard noise. It three bears rushed upstairs and saw Goldilocks lying baby bear's bed she woke up and. Goldilocks rushed downstairs and ran the cottage.



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Once upon a time there were three billy goats Gruff.

They lived a meadow with sweet smelling grass.

they wanted cross bridge to find more grass.

an ugly troll lived under the bridge

The troll let the little billy goat Gruff go because he was so small

the biggest billy goat Gruff butted the troll out way



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