

Lesson 1: Kinds of Sentences

LEARN

A **sentence** is a group of words that expresses a complete thought.

- There are four kinds of sentences.

A **declarative sentence** makes a statement.
It ends with a period (.).

We watched a movie about volcanoes.

An **interrogative sentence** asks a question.
It ends with a question mark (?).

Have you ever seen a volcano?

An **imperative sentence** gives a command.
It ends with a period (.).

Stay away from active volcanoes.
Please be careful.

An **exclamatory sentence** shows strong feelings.
It ends with an exclamation mark (!).

How amazing that would be!
Wow, the colors are so bright!

- Every sentence begins with a capital letter and ends with a punctuation mark. The end punctuation you use depends on the kind of sentence you write.



PRACTICE

A Read each sentence. Write *declarative*, *interrogative*, *imperative*, or *exclamatory* to tell what kind of sentence it is.

1. What an incredible sight that is!

exclamatory

2. Hot melted rock, gas, and steam burst from the volcano.

declarative

3. Watch how the hot ash and lava flow down the mountain.

imperative

PRACTICE A *continued*

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| 4. What is lava? | <u>interrogative</u> |
| 5. Lava is hot liquid rock that comes out of a volcano. | <u>declarative</u> |
| 6. Wow, a lava flow looks so dangerous! | <u>exclamatory</u> |
| 7. Please leave the area immediately. | <u>imperative</u> |
| 8. One famous volcano is Mount Vesuvius in Italy. | <u>declarative</u> |
| 9. Will Mount Vesuvius erupt again? | <u>interrogative</u> |
| 10. I hope not! | <u>exclamatory</u> |

B Add the correct end punctuation to each sentence. Then write *declarative, interrogative, imperative, or exclamatory* to tell what kind of sentence it is.

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| 1. We learned more about volcanoes . | <u>declarative</u> |
| 2. Wow, they can be so destructive ! | <u>exclamatory</u> |
| 3. Fortunately, they do not erupt very often . | <u>declarative</u> |
| 4. What are the warning signs of an eruption ? | <u>interrogative</u> |
| 5. One sign is a loud explosion . | <u>declarative</u> |
| 6. Hey, that was such a loud clap ! | <u>exclamatory</u> |
| 7. You really scared me ! | <u>exclamatory</u> |
| 8. Move out of the path of the lava . | <u>imperative</u> |
| 9. Look at the volcanic ash . | <u>imperative</u> |
| 10. Please tell me more about volcanoes . | <u>imperative</u> |
| 11. What else would you like to know ? | <u>interrogative</u> |
| 12. Are there any volcanoes in our state ? | <u>interrogative</u> |

Bianca Mount Rainier is the highest peak in the state of Washington.

Danny exactly how tall is it?

Bianca Read that sign over there[⊙]

Maria Wow, it's 14,410 feet high![^]

Bianca we'll only climb a thousand feet or so.

Maria What a relief that is![^]

Danny Wait for me, you two.

Bianca Did you know that Mount Rainier is a volcano?[?]

Maria Are you serious?[?]

Bianca the last major eruption was about 500 years ago.

Danny Will it erupt again soon?[?]

Bianca The scientists say no.[⊙]

Maria Let's hurry up anyway.

Danny You can't be too careful!

Proofreading Marks

- ^ Add
- ⊙ Period
- ✓ Take out
- ≡ Capital
- / Small





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D Imagine each situation below. Write a sentence that the person might say in the situation. Write the kind of sentence that is given in parentheses. The first one is done for you.
Answers will vary. Sample answers are given.



Situation 1 Ms. Murray is teaching about volcanoes. She makes this statement about volcanoes. (declarative)

Ms. Murray Hot ash or lava can erupt from a volcano.

Situation 2 Your classmate Janet does not understand something about volcanoes. She raises her hand and asks a question. Write the question she asks. (interrogative)

Janet Do all volcanoes have lava inside?

Situation 3 Lois is another classmate. She is very surprised by a fact she learns about volcanoes. Write the statement she makes to show her surprise. (exclamatory)

Lois What an amazing fact that is!

Situation 4 Your friend Jerry hears that you have drawn some pictures of a volcano. He lets you know that he wants to look at them. Write the statement he makes. (imperative)

Jerry Please show me your drawings.

Situation 5 Luis thinks your drawings are really great. He wants to display them in some way. Write the question he asks. (interrogative)

Luis Can we hang up your drawings on the bulletin board?