Capitalization and Punctuation

Grades 1-3

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Capitalization Rules For Parents and Teachers

Use capital letters in each of these places:

1. For the names of people and pets, the titles and initials of people and the word "I".

Examples:

| Mr. George S. Brown | R.M. Solski |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| Walter the Wonder D og | King Henry VIII |

2. For the names of the months, days and holidays.

Examples:

Valentine's **D**ay is celebrated on **F**ebruary 14th every year.

3. For the names of countries, provinces or states, cities, towns, mountains, rivers, lakes, oceans and important places.

Examples:

My aunt lives in **N**ew **Y**ork **C**ity.

Last summer we visited the **R**ocky **M**ountains on the west coast.

The Atlantic and Pacific Oceans have salty water.

I went to Disney World with my parents.

4. For the names of particular streets, avenues, roads and buildings.

Examples:

My school is located on **B**ennett **R**oad.

The baseball game will be played at **St. Frances Public School** on **Dairy A**venue.

My address is 73 Dundas Street, Ontario, California.

I will meet you at the **M**emorial **C**enter at four o'clock.

5. For the first word of each sentence.

Examples:

We must work carefully while writing sentences. A sentence begins with a capital letter.

6. For the first word of the speaker in a quotation.

Examples:

Benny replied, "It was just an accident. His mother said, "Will you try to be more careful?"

7. For the first word in a greeting or closing of a letter.

Examples:

| D ear G randma, | Your loving grandson, |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Dear Sir, | Y ours truly, |

8. For the first word and all important words in the titles of books, stories and poems.

Examples:

I have just read the book called "The Lord of the Rings". My favorite poem is called "The Night Before Christmas."

9. For the first word in each line of poetry.

Examples:

As I walked across the fluffy snow I spotted a jerky winding trail
An animal's zigzag marks in a row
Left by a creature with a soft white tail.

10. For words referring to brand names of products, or proper names of newspapers.

Examples:

| Chevrolet | P epsi | Los Angeles Times |
|-----------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| Ford | M aytag | C hicago T ribune |
| Coke | F errari | |

USING CAPITAL LETTERS



Remember to use capital letters at the beginning of the names of **people**, **poets**, **titles**, **peoples' initials** and the word "I".



Examples:

Charlie Brown, Rover, King Henry VII, Dr. T.S. Green, I



On the lines provided, copy each sentence and put in the missing capital letters.



| 1. terry and anna live in an old brick house. | | | | |
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2. mary read a story called "the fox and the grapes".



3. harry and elizabeth went to see dr. j.p. scott for their yearly checkup.



4. queen elizabeth II lives in a place called buckingham palace.



5. i have a dog named felix and a cat named charlie.



6. mr. and mrs. miller walk to the park every day with their grandaughter emma.

