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Answer Key: Stop the Story: Secret Signals for Kindergarten Sentences

Young writers use these 10 targeted challenges to identify the tiny dots and marks that tell readers when a big idea is finished.

1. Which mark do we use when we want to stop a sentence?

Answer: A) A period (.)

A period is a special dot that tells us a sentence is finished.

2. Look at the sentence: 'The cat is blue _' Which mark belongs in the blank?

Answer: C) .

We put a period at the end of the sentence to show the thought is over.

3. Finish the sentence with the right mark: 'I like to play _'

Answer: A) .

Every complete sentence needs a period at the end.

4. True or False: A period looks like a little dot.

Answer: A) True

A period is a small dot placed at the very end of a sentence.

5. Where does the period go in this sentence? 'I (1) love (2) my (3) dog (4)'

Answer: D) Spot 4

Periods always go at the end of a sentence, after all the words.

6. A period tells the reader to ____.

Answer: B) Stop

Just like a stop sign, a period tells us to stop before reading the next sentence.

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7. True or False: We put a period at the beginning of a sentence.

Answer: B) False

False! Periods go at the end, not the beginning.

8. Which one shows a correct sentence?

Answer: C) The sun is hot.

The period must follow the last word 'hot' correctly.

9. Complete this rule: 'Every sentence ends with a ____.'

Answer: C) Period

A period is the standard way to end a telling sentence.

10. True or False: You only need one period at the end of a sentence.

Answer: A) True

One dot is all you need to show the sentence is finished.