

PUNCTUATION

What Are Punctuation Marks?

Punctuation marks are **symbols** to help readers understand how to read sentences.

Examples:

- **Period**-ending marks, abbreviations
- **Question mark**-ending marks
- **Exclamation point**-ending marks
- **Comma**-separating items or words, direct address, dates
- **Semicolon**-joining two parts of a compound sentence
- **Colon**-before a list of items, in times, after the salutation of a business letter
- **Quotation marks**-enclosing a direct quotation, songs, short stories, or poems
- **Ap**
- **Hy**
- **Par**
- **Da**



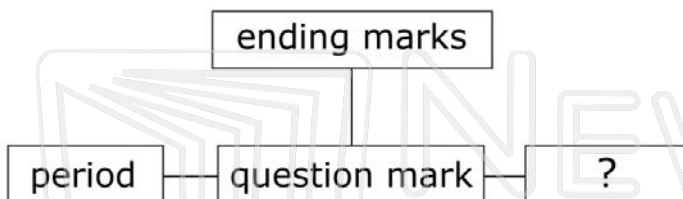
Try This

- 1] " Boat
Where do
a) after t
b) after t
c) after t
d) after the word *afternoon*

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What **word** belongs in the rectangle?

- a) comma
- b) apostrophe
- c) quotation marks
- d) exclamation point