ENGLISH, LITERACY, AND COMMUNICATION

Capitalization

Difficulty level: Easy

English, Literacy, and Communication

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Overview of the concept

This is how you show readers where a sentence begins and which words are names. A capital at the start of a sentence and on a person's name tells your reader where to pause and what is important. Without capitals, writing runs together and is hard to follow, even when every word is spelled right.



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Worked examples

EXAMPLE 1

Q Fix the capitalization in: sam went to school.

SOLUTION

The first word of a sentence gets a capital letter: Sam.

'sam' is also a name, and names get capital letters.

Fixed sentence: Sam went to school.

EXAMPLE 2

Q Fix the capitalization in: we went to toronto.

SOLUTION

The first word of a sentence gets a capital letter: We.

'toronto' is the name of a place, and place names get capital letters: Toronto.

Fixed sentence: We went to Toronto.

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Practice questions

1 Write this correctly: the bus is late.

- A the bus Is late.
- B The Bus Is Late.
- C the Bus is late.
- D The bus is late.

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2 Write this correctly: happy birthday, leo.

- A happy Birthday, leo.
- B Happy birthday, Leo.
- C Happy Birthday, Leo.
- D Happy birthday, leo.

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Write this correctly: we saw a cat on monday.

A We saw a cat on Monday.

B we Saw a cat on Monday.

C We saw a Cat on Monday.

D We saw a cat on monday.

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Write this correctly: sam was born in march.

A Sam was born in march.

B sam Was Born in March.

C Sam was born in March.

D Sam was Born in march.

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5 Write this correctly: it is cold in january.

- A It is Cold in january.
- B It is cold in January.
- C It is Cold in January.
- D It is cold in january.

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6 Write this correctly: tom and sam play soccer on saturday.

- A tom And sam play soccer on Saturday.
- B Tom and Sam Play Soccer on Saturday.
- C Tom and sam play soccer on Saturday.
- D Tom and Sam play soccer on Saturday.

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7 Write this correctly: i have a red bike.

A I have a red bike.

B I have a Red bike.

C I Have A Red Bike.

D i Have a red bike.

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8 Write this correctly: we live in canada.

A We live In canada.

B We Live In Canada.

C We live in Canada.

D We live in canada.

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Write this correctly: my dog max ran away.

A my Dog Max ran away.

B My dog max ran away.

C My dog Max ran away.

D My Dog max Ran Away.

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Write this correctly: we will visit london in june.

A We will visit london in June.

B We will Visit London in June.

C we will visit London in june.

D We will visit London in June.

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ANSWER KEY

1. The bus is late.
2. Happy birthday, Leo.
3. We saw a cat on Monday.
4. Sam was born in March.
5. It is cold in January.
6. Tom and Sam play soccer on Saturday.
7. I have a red bike.
8. We live in Canada.
9. My dog Max ran away.
10. We will visit London in June.

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