Grammar revision
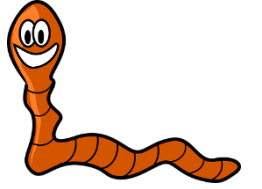
Parentheses

Parenthesis:

- A parenthesis is extra information added to a complete sentence.
- The original sentence makes sense without it.
- The extra information can be separated using commas, brackets or dashes.

The most successful method of worm charming is vibrating a garden fork.

complete sentence

The most successful method of worm charming, known as 'twanging', is vibrating a garden fork.

Parenthesis (marked off with commas)

Commas are most commonly used to separate a parenthesis and don't draw much attention from the reader.

Parenthesis

Dashes are used in less formal writing.

complete sentence

Most dogs enjoy getting muddy.

Most dogs—even the most pampered of pooches—enjoy getting muddy.

Parenthesis (marked off with dashes)

Parenthesis

Brownes **Brackets** are used to bring attention to parenthesis.
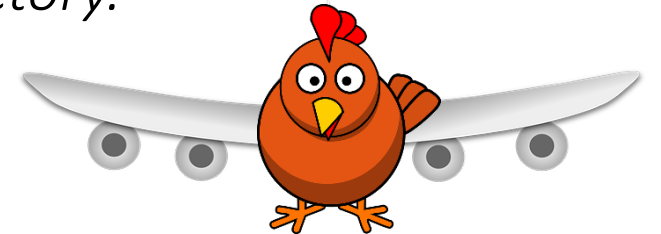
Flugtag is an event in which competitors attempt to fly home-made, human-powered flying machines.

complete sentence

Flugtag (German for flight day) is an event in which competitors attempt to fly home-made, human-powered flying machines.

Parenthesis (marked off with brackets)

The writer might want to draw attention to important or funny extra information.

The winning team (piloting a giant chicken) celebrated their victory.

Parenthesis

Your task

My friends said they missed me during lockdown.

I take my dog on a long walk every day.

The swan glided elegantly across the lake.

All shops will be re-opening soon.

Add parentheses to these sentences using brackets, dashes or commas.