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Exclamations - Exclamations are full sentences that begin with 'what' or 'how'. They include a verb and end with an exclamation mark.

Look at the text below and underline each type of sentence in a different colour.

One warm, sunny day Jessica and Lilly went to the zoo. When they arrived, they visited the monkeys and enjoyed seeing them swing from tree to tree. "I like the zoo " said Jessica.

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"Do we have any money to buy some more food " asked Jessica. Luckily they did, so they made their way over to the cafe and bought some more.

After they had finished their lunch, they visited the elephants. "How lovely of that elephant to wash the baby one " exclaimed Lilly. She pointed to where they were standing in a huge puddle of water.

"Don't get too close, you might get some water on your new dress " Jessica warned Lilly. They saw a large sign next to the elephant enclosure which said 'DO NOT FEED THE ANIMALS'.

"Oh no! What about the sneaky monkey who stole our lunch " Lilly worried. "What a hard rule to follow if the animals steal our lunches themselves "

"Don't worry, I noticed the zookeeper had managed to catch him and it looked as though our lunch bag hadn't been opened " replied Jessica.

"Go and get the bag from the zoo keeper " Lilly demanded.

"What a bossyboots you are being today " Jessica said. Being a good friend she was, she went to fetch their lunch bag.

Lilly waited for her friend to return and said, "Thank you."

"Now let's get out of here " laughed Jessica.

Now punctuate each of the sentences correctly in the text above.

How many commands did you find? _____

How many statements did you find? _____

How many questions did you find? _____

How many exclamations did you find? _____



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1. Can you pass the milk please?
2. What a mess you're making!
3. I am going to the shops.
4. How many days until my birthday?
5. Sit down on the chair.
6. Listen to me carefully.
7. When it had stopped raining, the sun came out.
8. John ran as quickly as he could.
9. How exciting it is to be here!
10. What time is it?

Write your new sentences below.

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How many commands did you find? 3

How many statements did you find? 10

How many questions did you find? 2

How many exclamations did you find? 4



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Answers will vary for changing sentences. Mark as correct if their new sentence follows the types of sentences definitions.