

Questions, commands and statements



Why is school the most important part of my life?

This is a **question** because it asks for an answer to something that Lerato is not sure about. Questions usually begin with asking words: **who, which, what, how, when, why, where** or **do**. All questions end with question marks **?**



School gives you the tools you need to succeed as a grown-up, answered Gogo.

This is a **statement** because it tells (states) something that Gogo believes. All statements end with full stops **.**



Lerato thought about what Gogo had told her and it made sense to her. "Learn how to read, write and do Mathematics, Lerato!"

This is a **command** because in this sentence Gogo is telling Lerato what she must do to succeed as a grown-up. Gogo is giving her a command or an order.

Write the questions to the answers given.

Question:

Answer: Lerato is at the park.



Question:

Answer: Lerato is with Gogo.

Question:

Answer: They are having a picnic.

Sort these sentences into **command** sentences and **statement** sentences. Write them in the correct column.

- School is the most important thing in Lerato's life.
- Gogo loves Lerato very much.
- Do your homework every day.
- Always be on time for school.
- Readers are leaders.
- Keep your schoolbooks tidy.
- Education is the key to your success.
- Listen to your teacher.

Commands:	Statements:

Writing

Use different sentence types when writing such as statements, questions and commands