

Story starter!



It's always difficult moving house, but not usually as slow as this. Sometimes they regretted buying a house on top of a giant tortoise. It did, however, have some benefits...

Sentence challenge!



- ▶ A parenthesis is a word or a phrase put into a sentence to give it more information.
- ▶ Sometimes a parenthesis is in italics, sometimes it is in (brackets), sometimes there is a dash – and sometimes it has ‘inverted commas’ around it.
- ▶ Parentheses are used to:
- ▶ Explain what a difficult word means.
- ▶ Show someone’s thoughts
- ▶ Add extra information to help the reader
- ▶ Emphasise a point
- ▶ Can you use brackets to add extra information?
- ▶ E.g. His shell (being completely covered in grass) made for a comfortable home.

Question time

- ▶ How old is the tortoise?
- ▶ What has he seen in his lifetime?
- ▶ What do you think it's like living on the back of a tortoise?
- ▶ What sort of places would it take you to?



Sick sentences!

These sentences are 'sick' and need help to get better. Can you help?

- ▶ The tortoise moved across the ground. He had skin and a big shell.



Perfect picture!

Imagine you could live on the back of a giant animal. Can you draw what the perfect animal-house would look like?

