

Expected Writing Year 3

I was totally misled! I **stupidly** walked straight **into** his trap **and** I was caught **in** his sticky web **before** I knew it. An old gnat was no match **against** the strength of his eight muscly legs. “**Don’t eat me! I am far too old to make a good meal. Why not wait for a younger, juicier bug?**” I asked him **pleadingly**. The scheming spider just ignored me **while** I begged for my life. The **next** bit of the tale is too hideous to imagine! **Let’s** just say that he ate a mighty feast before bed that night, that included blackberries, ladybirds, gnats and flies.

Punctuation	. ? ! ! “ ” ,
Contractions (apostrophes)	don’t, let’s.
Conjunctions	and, while, before
Prepositions	into, in , against
Adverbs	stupidly, pleadingly, next

Grammar Guide for Parents

Year 3

Expected Punctuation Year 3

Punctuation Power!	
A	Capital letters for the start of sentences, names and places.
.	A full stop at the end of a sentence.
!	Exclamation marks for exclamations or surprise.
?	Question marks for questions.
'	Apostrophes for showing something belongs to someone and to mark missing letters in contracted words, e.g. didn't.
,	Commas to separate items on a list.

Using 'a' or 'an'...

an	a
before a word that starts with a vowel : an apple	before a word that does not start with a vowel: a banana

Expected Grammar Year 3

Children in year 3 are expected to use co-ordinating and subordinating conjunctions to join clauses. Co-ordinating conjunctions are used to link two phrases together as an equal pair eg. Kylie is young **but** she can kick the ball hard. Subordinating conjunctions introduce a subordinate clause (adding extra information) eg. Joe can't practise kicking **because** he's injured.

Homophones

there/their/they're
our/are
two/too/to
your/you're
here/hear

Co-ordinating Conjunctions

F	for
A	and
N	nor
B	but
O	or
Y	yet
S	so

Fantastic Ways to Show Time, Place and Cause in Your Sentences

Subordinating Conjunctions

when	before	because
after	while	

Prepositions

in	during	because of
over	near	until
above	behind	

Adverbs

next	soon	then
therefore		

Know your Prefixes

un-	means not
pre-	means before
mis-	means wrong
super-	means above
re-	means again
sub-	means under
inter-	means between
anti-	means against
auto-	means self
im/ir/in/il-	mean not