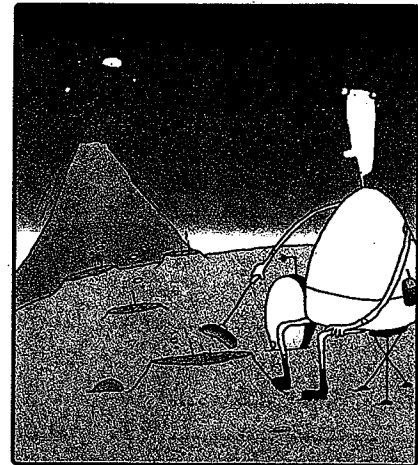


Kinds of Sentences 1

There are four kinds of sentences: *declarative*, *interrogative*, *imperative*, and *exclamatory*. A declarative sentence makes a statement. An interrogative sentence asks a question. An imperative sentence makes a request or gives a command. And an exclamatory sentence communicates strong emotion. To make sure you understand each kind, study the examples below and the ones in your handbook. (Turn to 438.3-438.6 in *Write Source 2000* for this information.)



EXAMPLES

Declarative:

Volcanoes have terrified people throughout history.

Interrogative:

Why are they so terrifying?

Imperative:

Read the following to find out.

Exclamatory:

You'll be amazed!

Directions

In the blank before each sentence, write *declarative*, *interrogative*, *imperative*, or *exclamatory*. The first sentence has been done for you.

interrogative

1. Where are volcanoes most likely to occur?

_____ 2. Read the following description to find out.

_____ 3. Most volcanoes occur in a rim around the Pacific Ocean called the "ring of fire."

_____ 4. Major eruptions are usually preceded by eruptions of steam and ash.

_____ 5. The initial steam and ash eruptions are sort of like the volcano clearing its throat.

_____ 6. Do you know what happens next?

- _____ 7. Bang! The volcano blows its top!
- _____ 8. In other words, the magma erupts through the central and side vents.
- _____ 9. What are some of the major volcanic eruptions throughout history?
- _____ 10. In A.D. 79, Mt. Vesuvius near Pompeii, Italy, erupted and killed about 2,000 fleeing people.
- _____ 11. Volcanoes erupted in Krakatoa (East Indies) in 1883, and more than 36,000 people died.
- _____ 12. In 1902, a volcanic explosion wiped out the entire community of St. Pierre on Martinique in the West Indies.
- _____ 13. The sole survivor was a man who was being held captive in a dungeon.
- _____ 14. That's incredible!
- _____ 15. Is there anything that's good about volcanoes?
- _____ 16. Volcanic ash is very fertile, which is why many people have continued to live in the shadow of volcanoes over the years.
- _____ 17. Check the Internet or a good encyclopedia to find out more about volcanoes.



Next Step Find out more about one of the eruptions mentioned above (or another one). List at least three or four facts that you discover, and then use these facts in a paragraph about your subject. Try to use at least two kinds of sentences in your writing.