

# Spot the sentence

Sentences make sense. They might be short, they might be long – but they *always* make sense. If they don't, they're just *not* sentences!

Phrases are groups of words, without a verb, that don't make any sense at all, unless they're part of a sentence. Look at these sentences and phrases:

My puppy

In a kennel

Lots of exercise

My puppy is called Fred

Fred sleeps in a kennel

Fred gets lots of exercise

It's easy to pick out the phrases from the sentences here!

Use the theme of a new puppy to write a story. Make a list of phrases first as notes to help you. Then write the story in proper sentences.

If you run out of space use the back of the sheet.

## EXTRA!

Remember, you can probably join some of your sentences together to make them longer. Use conjunctions to join them (such as *and*, *but*, *after*, *before*, *as*, *since*). Rewrite your story using conjunctions. Put some adverbs and adjectives in as well. Read your list of phrases aloud to a friend. Then read your complete story. Which sounds best?