Sentence Types

There are four basic sentence types:

1. Statement: A statement is a *telling* sentence; it ends with a period.

Eric read a difficult book in just two nights.

The second person in line is Ashley.

Rebecca has a pet turtle.

Nick thought the homework was easy.

It's Justin's turn to use the computer.

Someday Amanda might be a doctor.

2. Question: A **question** is an *asking* sentence; it ends with a question mark.

Who is Jessica's partner? Are you going to Nina's house after school? Can you lend Jack a marker? On what street does Olivia live? Why did Theo go to the nurse's office?

3. Command: A **command** is an *ordering* sentence; it ends with a period or exclamation point.

Help James carry that box. Matt, please close that window. Look at the third problem, Thomas. Quit singing, Alex! Please pass out these papers, Aliza.

4. Exclamation: An **exclamation** is an *emotional* sentence; it ends with an exclamation point.

Please stop dancing on the desk, Christina! Great job, Heather!
Ryan swallowed a fly!
Cool airplane, Shawn!
Hey, Dave! Your mom is calling you!
Zach scored the winning goal!