

End Punctuation 1

Using the correct **end punctuation** is a basic step in punctuating your writing. There are three kinds of end punctuation: the period, the question mark, and the exclamation point. (See *Write Source* pages 479–480.)



Examples

Native Americans welcomed the Pilgrims.

When was that?

That was back in 1620!

Directions

Put the correct end punctuation—a period, a question mark, or an exclamation point—in the sentences below. Capitalize the first letter of each sentence. The first sentence has been done for you.

- 1 ~~H~~ave you ever wondered who the very first Americans were? [?]_^
- 2 scientists say they came from Asia thousands of years ago at that
- 3 time, land connected Asia to the part of North America that is now
- 4 Alaska imagine that people followed herds of animals across the
- 5 “land bridge” between Asia and America these people needed to use
- 6 the animals for food and clothing it was much too cold to grow crops
- 7 the first Americans slowly moved farther and farther south
- 8 after thousands of years, their ancestors reached the tip of South
- 9 America wow that’s a lot of walking

The Next Step Write a paragraph describing your coldest experience. In at least two places, try to use a word, a phrase, or a sentence that would require an exclamation point.