

# LINGUISHTIK WORKSHEET IX.A1

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## INTERJECTIONS – I (EMJS)

An interjection is a word that expresses emotion and does not have another grammatical function in the sentence. In the game of LinguisHTIK, an interjection must be punctuated in one of the two ways illustrated below:

1. an exclamation point after the interjection, and the rest of the sentence capitalized with correct end punctuation:

- Ouch! That hurt!      or      Ouch! That hurt.      or      Ouch! Did that hurt?

2. a comma after the interjection, with an exclamation point at the end of the sentence:

- Ouch, that hurt!

NOTES:

- If the word does have another grammatical function in the sentence or is not punctuated in one of these specified ways, it will not be considered an interjection for the purposes of the game.
- To count as an interjection, in the official dictionary a word must be listed as an interjection or noted as used interjectionally.

EXERCISES:

Underline each interjection. Write the sentence pattern next to each sentence. Do NOT underline a word if it does not fulfill all of the requirements of an interjection for the game.

1. Hallo! The rabbit appeared above the hat.
2. Hulloo, the boy baked his friend a cake.
3. The boy said, "Hulloo!"
4. The boy said, "Hulloo, I'm home!"

Are the following solution sentences correct? If not, why not?

5. S-V-DO, Interjection, Double vowel, Z required

The boy baked a cake while the girl said, "Zooks! That smells amazing!"

6. S-LV-PN, Interjection, Double vowel, Double consonant

Yippee! The boy was happy and the girl became president.

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1. Hallo! The rabbit appeared above the hat. S-V  
Although *appeared* is often a linking verb, in this sentence it is NOT a linking verb because it isn't linking the subject *rabbit* to either a predicate noun or a predicate adjective, so the sentence pattern is S-V. The prepositional phrase *above the hat* is functioning as an adverb.
2. Hulloo, the boy baked his friend a cake. S-V-IO-DO  
No word is underlined because the word *hulloo* isn't punctuated in one of the required ways for an interjection and thus it doesn't qualify as an interjection in the game.
3. The boy said, "Hulloo!" S-V-DO  
No word is underlined because the word *halloo* is functioning as the direct object in this sentence and thus it doesn't qualify as an interjection in the game.
4. The boy said, "Halloo, I'm home!" S-V-DO  
This sentence pattern is S-V-DO because the direct quote "*Halloo, I'm home*" is a noun clause functioning as the direct object of *said*.
5. The boy baked a cake while the girl said, "Zooks! That smells amazing!"  
YES. The independent clause is *The boy baked a cake*, and this is S-V-DO so the sentence pattern requirement is met. *Zooks* is listed as an interjection in the official dictionary, and it has a double vowel and a Z.
6. Yippee! The boy was happy and the girl became president.  
NO. There are two independent clauses: *The boy was happy*, which is S-LV-PA, and *the girl became president*, which is S-LV-PN. The word *yippee* is an interjection that is punctuated correctly and has a double vowel and a double consonant. However, the independent clause with which it is more closely associated is *The boy was happy*, so the sentence pattern requirement of S-LV-PN is not met.

This sentence WOULD be correct for Exercise #6:

Yippee! The girl became president and the boy was happy.