

Cheat-Sheet Table (Downloadable PDF)

Here is a **cheat-sheet** summarizing the 4 types of sentences with examples. It is perfect for quick reference or printing as a **PDF** for classroom use.

Type	Purpose	Ending punctuation	Typical patterns	3 quick examples	Pitfalls
Declarative	Share a statement or opinion	Period	Subject + Verb + Object	I like ice cream; Cats sleep all day; Water boils at 212°F	Using ! unnecessarily
Interrogative	Ask a question	Question mark	wh-Word + Auxiliary + Subject + Verb	Where is my book?; Do you like pizza?; You're ready, aren't you?	Forgetting do-support
Imperative	Give a command or polite appeal	Period/Exclamation mark	(You) + Base Verb	Close the door; Don't touch that; Let's start the game	Adding unnecessary subject "you" twice
Exclamatory	Express strong emotion	Exclamation mark	Any clause + !	What a beautiful day!; Watch out!; That's amazing!	Confusing with declarative sentences