**Interjections**

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| An interjection is a word that expresses some kind of emotion. It can be used as filler. Interjections do not have a grammatical function in the sentence and are not related to the other parts of the sentence. If an interjection is omitted, the sentence still makes sense. It can stand alone.   * Ouch! That hurts. * Well, I need a break. * Wow! What a beautiful dress!   When you are expressing a strong emotion, use an exclamation mark (!). A comma (,) can be used for a weaker emotion.  Interjections do the following:  1.Express a feeling—wow, gee, oops, darn, geez, oh:   * Oops, I’m sorry. That was my mistake. * Geez! Do I need to do it again? * Oh, I didn’t know that.   2.Say yes or no—yes, no, nope:   * Yes! I will do it! * No, I am not going to go there. * Nope. That’s not what I want.   3.Call attention—yo, hey:   * Yo, will you throw the ball back? * Hey, I just wanted to talk to you about the previous incident.   4.Indicate a pause—well, um, hmm:   * Well, what I meant was nothing like that. * Um, here is our proposal. * Hmm. You really need to be on a diet.   **[Quiz 29.1]**  What should be B’s expression?  A: I got a perfect score on the math exam. B:                      (Well. Wow! or Um.)  **[Quiz 29.2]**  What should be C’s expression?  C:                     ! (Nope, Hey, or Geez) My computer just broke.  [**View Answers**](javascript:showHide('div1'))  [29.1] Wow!  [29.2] Geez |