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Cosmic double dots:

Think of it as a smashed equal sign!



Definition:

Cosmic double dots tell the reader that what follows the complete sentence is closely related to the preceding independent clause.

Complete sentence: | *Love DQ*

List

Description

Direct quote

List:

Mr. Ohgoo, you came from which planet: Mars, Jupiter or Pluto?

Description:

Kids, so we are in Cappadocia Turkey: a city about 450 miles away from the capital Istanbul.

Direct quote:

Complete sentence: direct quote:

Professor Thomas asked Mr. Ohgoo why he came to earth: "I love DQ."

Professor Thomas knows one thing for sure: "If you look there is a lot of grey, the skies are grey and if we are going to see anything like an alien spaceship that is silver, we are going to have to wait a little until it gets darker."

NOTE: When to use cosmic double dots or a comma:

Fragment, direct quote

Professor Thomas said, "Why did you come to earth?"

Summary:

I Love DQ *Acts the same as an equal sign!*

Complete sentence: **list** (*fragment*)

Complete sentence: **description** (*complete sentence*)

Complete sentence: **direct quote** (*complete sentence*)