

Interjections

Interjections are words used to express strong feeling or sudden emotion. They are included in a sentence (usually at the start) to express a sentiment such as surprise, disgust, joy, excitement, or enthusiasm.

An interjection is not grammatically related to any other part of the sentence.

Examples of Interjections

In the following examples, the interjections are shaded.

- Hey! Get off that floor!
- Oh, that is a surprise.
- Good! Now we can move on.
- Jeepers, that was close.

Interjections (English Grammar)

An interjection conveys an emotion such as...

Annoyance Oy! Hey! Hmph!	Dissatisfaction quietly easily carefully	Panic Uh-ho Eek carefully
Boredom Ho hum Sigh	Doubt Er Really? Um	Pleasure Mmm Yeah Oh, yeah
Disapproval Tsk tsk Tut	Embarrassment Ahem	Realization Aha! Ah Eureka
Disgust Ew Yuk!	Joy Hurrah! Yay! Woo-hoo	Relief Phew Whoa
Dismay Oh, no Oops	Pain Ouch! Ow! Aya!	Surprise Oh! Jeepers! Crikey!

! = strong interjection , = mild interjection

Yes and No

Expressions such as *yes*, *no*, *indeed*, and *well* are often used as interjections. For example:

- Indeed, this is not the first time the stand has collapsed.
- Yes, I do intend to cover the bet.

Phew!

Some interjections are sounds. For example:

- Phew! I am not trying that again.
- Hmph! I knew that last week.
- Mmmm, my compliments to the chef.

Multi-word Interjections

Some interjections are more than one word. For example:

- Oh, really? I doubt that.
- Holy moly! She won!

They're not always at the start of a sentence. For example:

- It is cold, indeed.

Underline the interjection.

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