

THE PERIOD AND THE QUESTION MARK

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The Period Rule:

Rule 1: Use a period at the end of a complete sentence that is a statement.

Example: I know you like ice cream better than candy.

The Question Mark Rule:

Rule 1: Use a question mark only after a direct question.

Example: Will you go with me to the movie?

Directions: Place a period or question mark where it is missing.

Setting: The Dentist's Office

Characters:

Narrator

Gavin

Dylan

Jasmine

Lauren

Narrator: Gavin and Dylan were waiting nervously in the Dentist's Office When the door opened, in walked their two friends, Jasmine and Lauren

Gavin: Hey! What are you two doing here (laughing) As if I didn't know

Jasmine: I just broke my front tooth

Dylan: Gee! How did you do that

Lauren: Well, Jasmine was eating a Lifesaver and it got stuck between her two front teeth All of a sudden, I saw her reach into her mouth

Jasmine: Yes, I felt something strange when I pushed my fingers against my front teeth Then I asked Lauren to go with me to the bathroom so I could look at my teeth in the mirror Boy, was I surprised!

Gavin: Does it hurt

Jasmine: Not really

Dylan: Do you think the Dentist will hurt you

Lauren: Jasmine already asked about that over the phone The nurse wanted to know which tooth was broken She said it probably wouldn't hurt Then she said to come to the Office right away

Jasmine: So here we are Why are you guys here

Gavin: I have to have a cavity drilled and (laughing) Dylan said he'd come to hold my hand

Dylan: Aw, come on You know *that's* not true We're going to watch the baseball game after Gavin gets his tooth fixed, so I decided to sit with him so we can get out of here and to his house as soon as possible

Narrator: The four friends sit talking and laughing noisily about some pictures in *People* magazine Suddenly the door flew open and in rushed a little boy with a bloody mouth, screaming and crying

Jasmine: (screaming) Oh! Get the Doctor!

Narrator: Just then, a tall Police Officer ran into the room...

What happened next?

Directions:

Finish the play using as many periods and question marks as possible.