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Ellipsis



An ellipsis is three dots used to show:

- **missing words e.g.** It was a sunny day and after walking for a few of hours, we decided to stop for a picnic.

It was a sunny day ... we decided to stop for a picnic.

- **a pause for effect e.g.** We will never get there in time ... it's hopeless.
- **an unfinished thought e.g.** I just didn't know what to do

Copy the sentences below, adding an ellipsis in the correct place. In some of the sentences, you can take out words or phrases:

I can't believe it it's arrived at last!

I never thought

The boys rode their bikes down the windy lane, through the dark forest, for miles until they got to a beautiful lake.

The school disco was fun; the music was great and it went on until late.

Everyone had disappeared he was all alone.

I know I saw my keys somewhere

We went to the beach: made sandcastles, went swimming, had ice-cream and fish and chips and arrived home late.

Kate was so excited when she saw a puppy!