**Year 5 English Tasks – Monday 30th March 2020**

It is a very strange feeling not seeing all the lovely, smiley Year 5 faces every day. I hope you are staying safe and well. We were making great headway with our myth retelling of Theseus and the Minotaur, we will come back to that next week and you will be able to complete some activities at home. But this week we will focus on reviewing some of the grammar and punctuation areas we have already looked at.

We have been working hard this term to ensure our copying is accurate and not to make silly errors.

**Parents:** Whilst copying may seem like a basic task, it is a skill that the children really do need to secure. Encourage your child to take their time and to check and then double check that what they have done is correct.

**Children:** Remember to get your ‘f’ up to the same height as an ‘h’ or ‘l’ and that ‘t’ goes halfway! Take your time. Your handwriting needs to be legible in your SATs tests.

1. Copy the paragraph using your best handwriting and correct the basic punctuation errors. There are full stops, capital letters and commas missing.

Ancient Greece was a civilization that dominated much of the Mediterranean thousands of years ago. The Greeks came before the [Romans](https://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_rome.php) and much of the Roman culture was influenced by the Greeks. Athens and Sparta were the two main city states that ruled much of ancient Greece. Sparta was almost entirely focused on war and how to fight, while Athens focused on the arts and learning. The first Olympic Games were held in 776 BC at the Greek city of Olympia. The athletes who took part were called Olympians, we still take part in the Olympics around the world today.

1. Correct these direct speech sentences. The spellings are correct but they all have punctuation errors.
   1. “Good morning, how are you Eliott?” asked Mrs Donegan.
   2. “My favourite food is cheese and that is why I love a margarita pizza!” exclaimed Theo.
   3. “Watch out!” yelled Lucy.
   4. “Wow, what an amazing achievement!” exclaimed Mrs Harris.