

# Capital Letters

English sentences always begin with a **capital letter**.

We saw the accident from a distance.

The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.

The personal pronoun "I" is always written with a **capital letter**:

I like horror films.

Jenny and I went to the beach together.

Apart from these cases, **capital letters** are used at the beginning of the following types of words:

Names of people and places

Peter

Susan

Australia

Hyde Park

the Middle East

Planets and stars can be considered as places:

Jupiter

Pluto

Alpha Centauri

Titles

Mr Finnegan

Mrs Edgeware

Ms Johnson

Dr Jacobs

Major Fingleton

Days, months and public holidays

Monday

Friday

July

December

Christmas

Ramadan

Yom Kippur

Nationalities and regions, languages, religions and ethnic groups

a German car

the Scandinavian countries

She speaks Russian and Chinese.

a Muslim cleric

the Aboriginal people

Titles of books, magazines, films, songs, etc.

War and Peace

Rolling Stone

the New Statesman

Citizen Kane

Stairway to Heaven

The Mouse Trap

## Notice that:

articles (a, the)

prepositions (on, under, in)

conjunctions (because, and, but) etc.

are not usually capitalised.