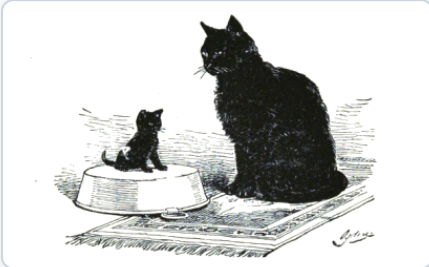


LESSON 12: "A CAT AND HER KITTEN" — PICTURE STUDY & QUESTIONS**I GRAMMAR SNAPSHOT • RULES FOR QUESTIONS & STATEMENTS**

- **Questions:** A question asks something. Every question begins with a **Capital letter** and ends with a **question mark (?)**.
- **Statements:** An answer tells something. Every answer is a **complete statement** ending with a **period (.)**.



Study the picture carefully before writing.

6 PICTURE QUESTIONS

Notice that each one ends with this mark (?)

1. Do you see a cat and her kitten?
2. Is the cat large and black?
3. Is she sitting on a mat?
4. Is she looking at the kitten?
5. Is the kitten small and black?
6. Is it sitting on a pan?

• WRITE COMPLETE STATEMENTS IN ANSWER TO THE QUESTIONS (ITEMS 1 – 6)

Write the answers to these questions in complete statements. Use the sentence starters provided below. Begin with a Capital letter and finish with a period.

1. Do you see a cat and her kitten?

I see a cat and _____ .

2. Is the cat large and black?

The cat is large _____ .

3. Is she sitting on a mat?

She is sitting on _____ .

4. Is she looking at the kitten?

She is looking at _____ .

5. Is the kitten small and black?

The kitten is small _____ .

6. Is it sitting on a pan?

It is sitting on _____ .

SELF-CHECK & ACCURACY

Did you begin each statement with a Capital letter? Did you finish each answer with a period (.)?

LESSON 12: "A CAT AND HER KITTEN" — TEACHER ANSWER KEY & GUIDE

PEDAGOGICAL BLUEPRINT • PICTURE STUDY & INTERROGATIVE-TO-DECLARATIVE SYNTAX

• **Lesson Objective:** Develop visual literacy and synthesize observational questions into complete, punctuated declarative statements.

• **Syntactic Focus:** Transitioning from interrogative inversion ("Is she sitting...") to standard declarative order ("She is sitting...").

• **Punctuation Mastery:** Contrasting the interrogative terminal mark (?) with the declarative terminal period (.).

1. Do you see a cat and her kitten?	I see a cat and her kitten.	Capital "I" pronoun; possessive pronoun "her" showing maternal relationship.
2. Is the cat large and black?	The cat is large and black.	Compound predicate adjective joined by conjunction "and"; period at end.
3. Is she sitting on a mat?	She is sitting on a mat.	Personal pronoun "She" replaces "the cat"; prepositional phrase "on a mat".
4. Is she looking at the kitten?	She is looking at the kitten.	Present continuous verb "is looking"; preposition "at" with definite article "the".
5. Is the kitten small and black?	The kitten is small and black.	Antonym contrast: "small" vs. "large" from item 2 ; shared color attribute "black".
6. Is it sitting on a pan?	It is sitting on a pan.	Neuter pronoun "It" referring to the kitten; prepositional phrase "on a pan". (Also accept: "It is on a pan.")

🗣️ ORAL LANGUAGE DISCUSSION

Before writing, lead an interactive discussion: "Point to the mother cat. What color is she? What is she sitting on? What is the little kitten sitting on?" Point out that the kitten is sitting on an inverted baking pan placed upon the rug.

🔍 VOCABULARY & PHONICS

Highlight rhyming words: **cat / mat** and **pan / can**. Reinforce short /æ/ vowel sound. Discuss the pair **large / small** as opposites (antonyms).

👉 MECHANICS & HANDWRITING

Remind students that in classic English primers, answers are written in full sentences rather than single-word replies. Emphasize that statements must NEVER end with a question mark; every declarative statement concludes with a neat period.

☀️ EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

Have students compose an additional statement about the picture, such as: "The mother cat loves her baby kitten." or "The pan has a small metal ring."

PEDAGOGICAL STANDARD

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