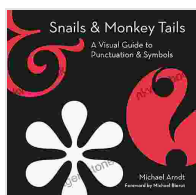


The Ultimate Visual Guide to Punctuation Symbols

Punctuation symbols are essential for clear and effective written communication. They help to organize your thoughts, clarify your meaning, and add emphasis to your writing. However, using punctuation correctly can be a challenge, especially if you're not familiar with all of the different symbols and their rules.



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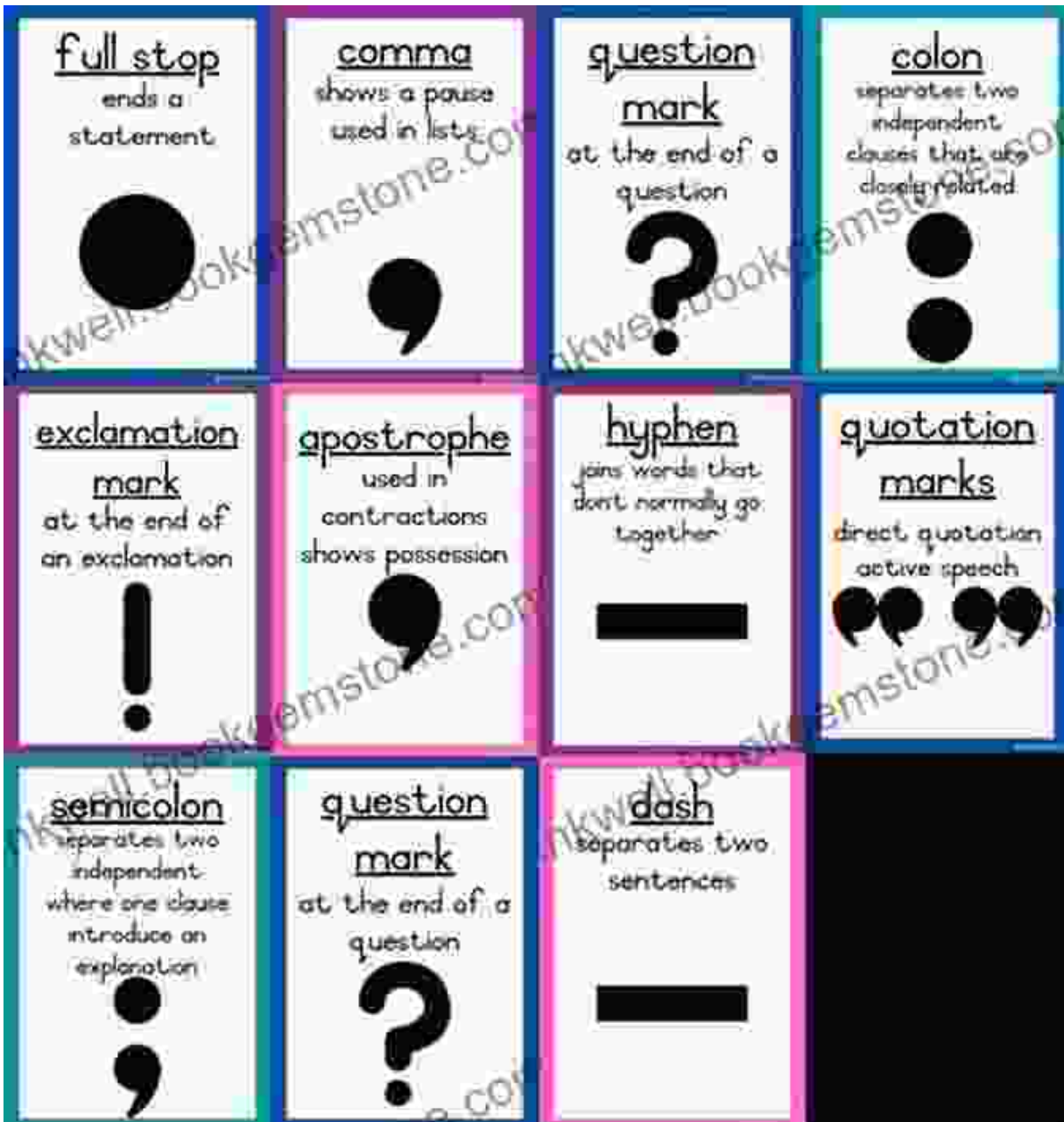
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This guide will provide you with a comprehensive overview of punctuation symbols, including their names, functions, and examples of usage. By the end of this guide, you'll be able to use punctuation confidently and effectively in your writing.

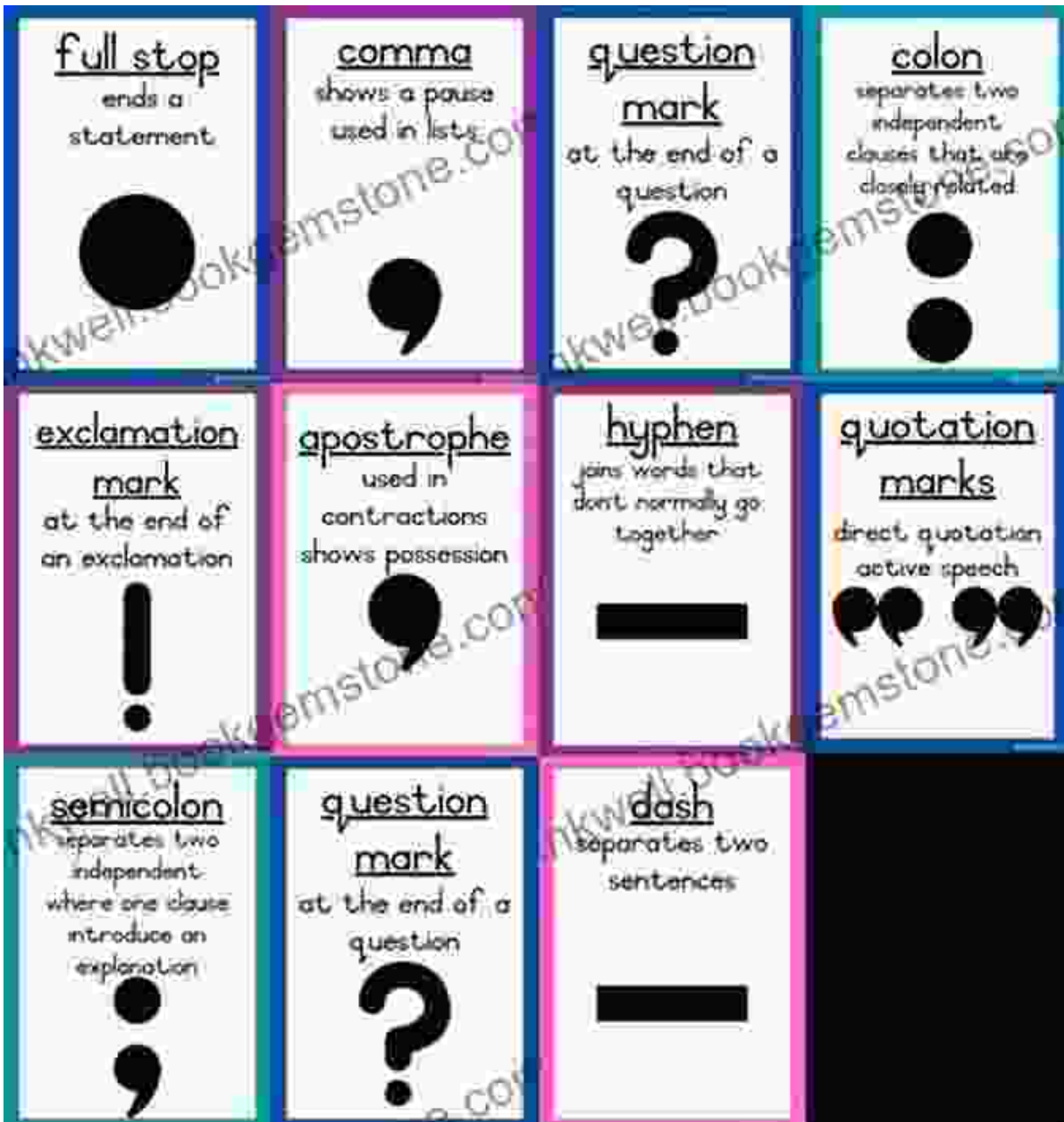
Period (.)

The period is used to end a sentence. It is also used after abbreviations, such as "Dr." and "Mr.".



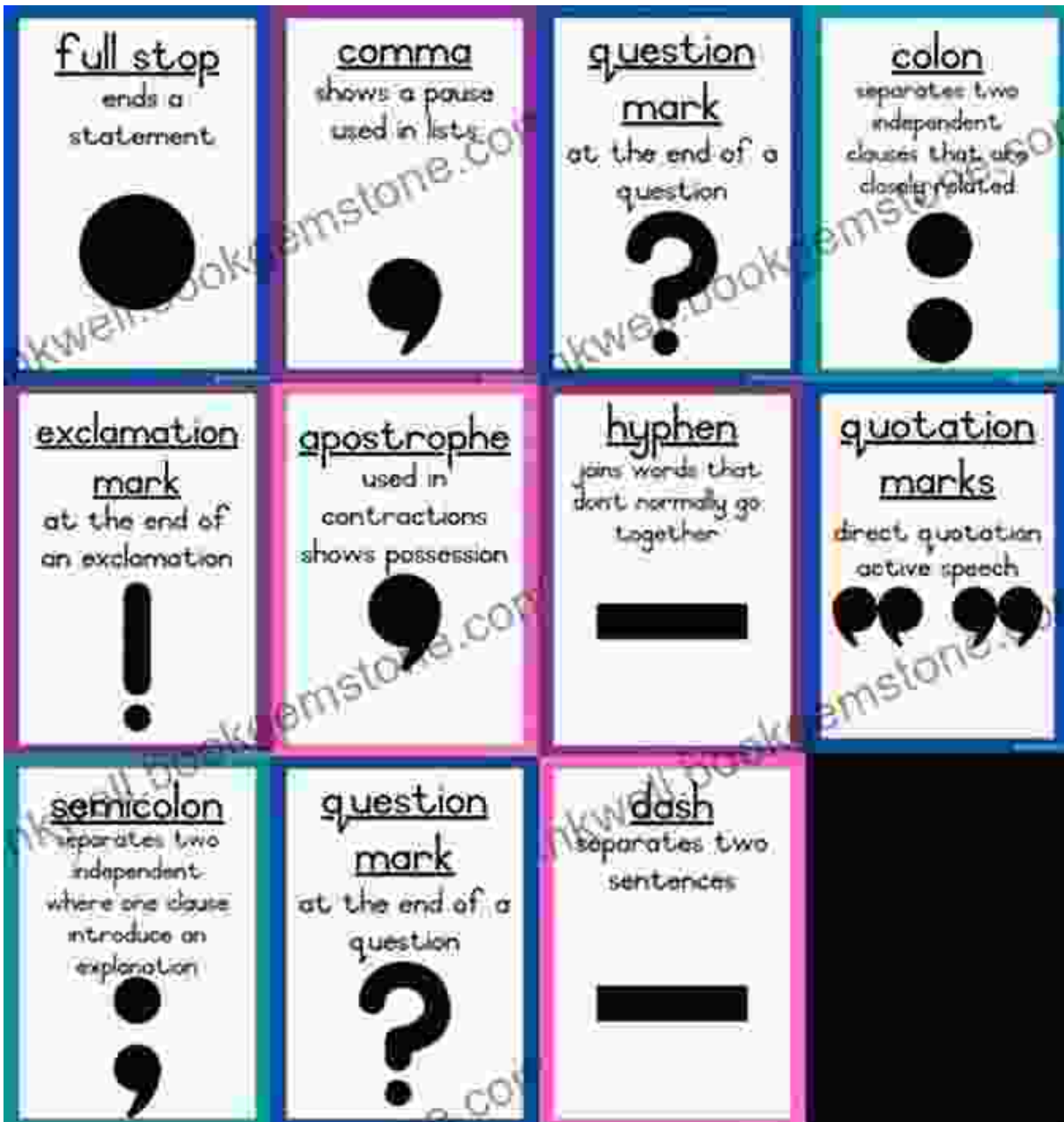
Comma (,)

The comma is used to separate items in a list, to separate clauses in a sentence, and to set off introductory elements, such as phrases and clauses.



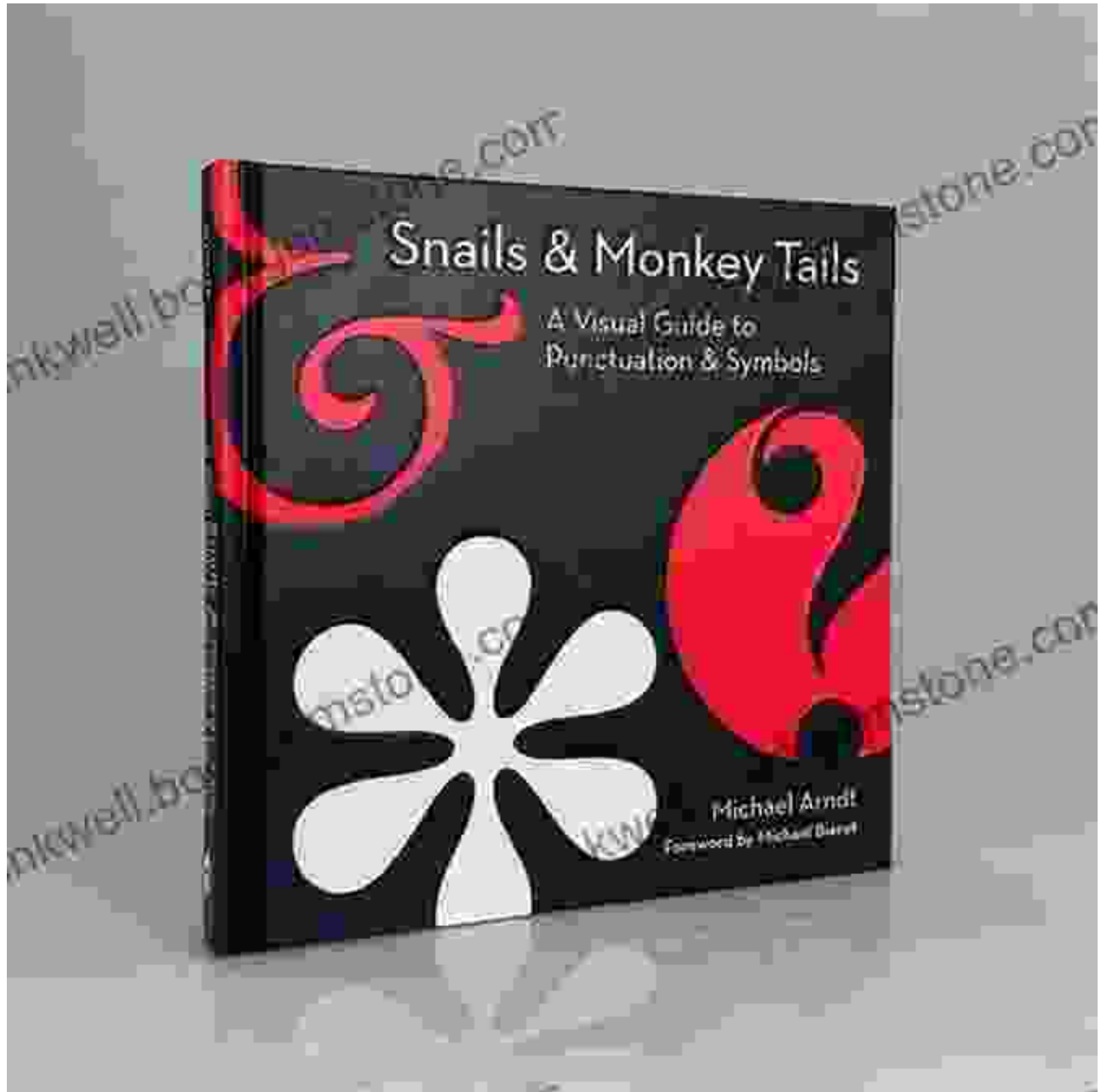
Semicolon (;)

The semicolon is used to separate two independent clauses that are closely related in meaning.



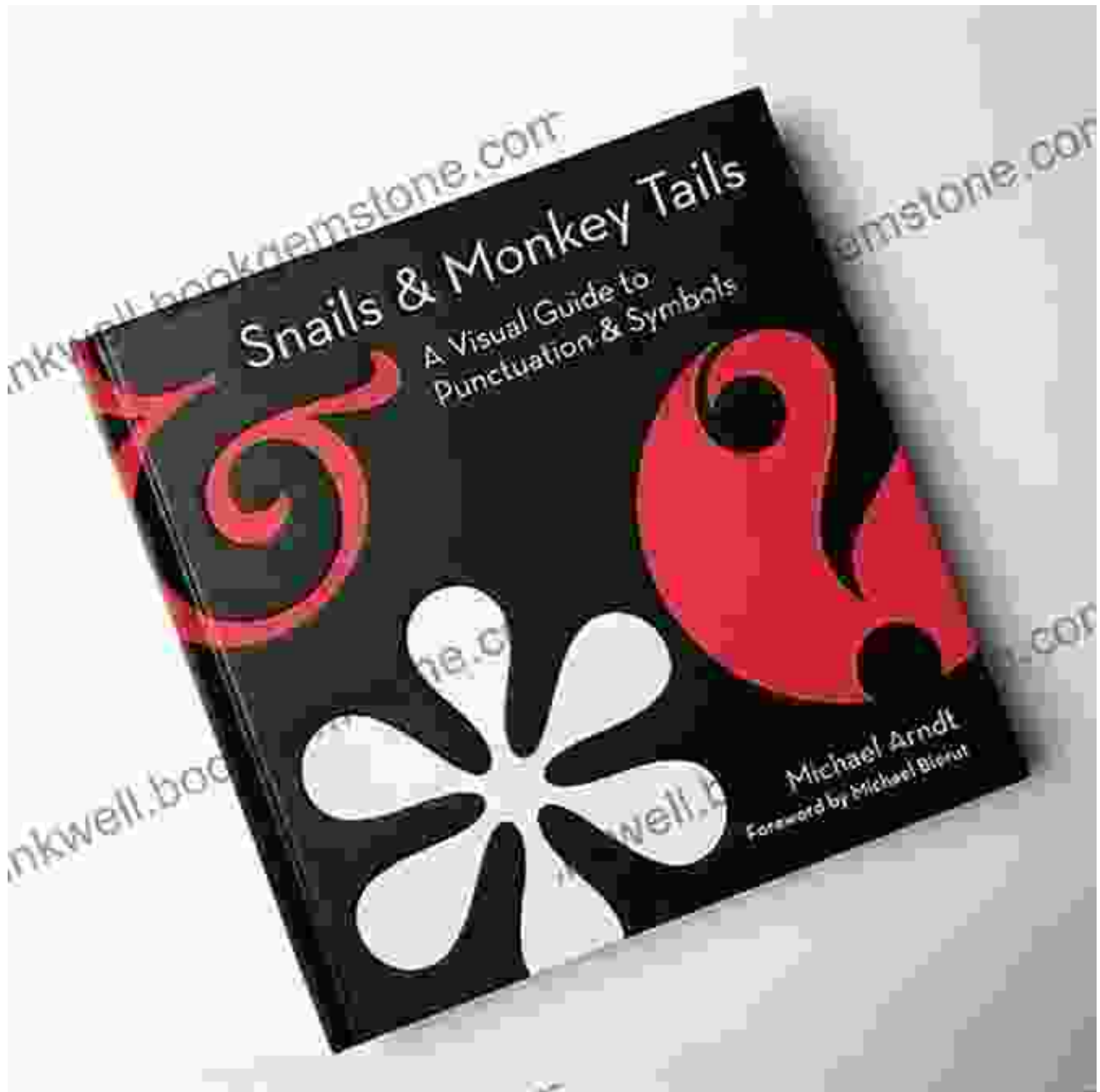
Colon (:)

The colon is used to introduce a list, a quotation, or an explanation.



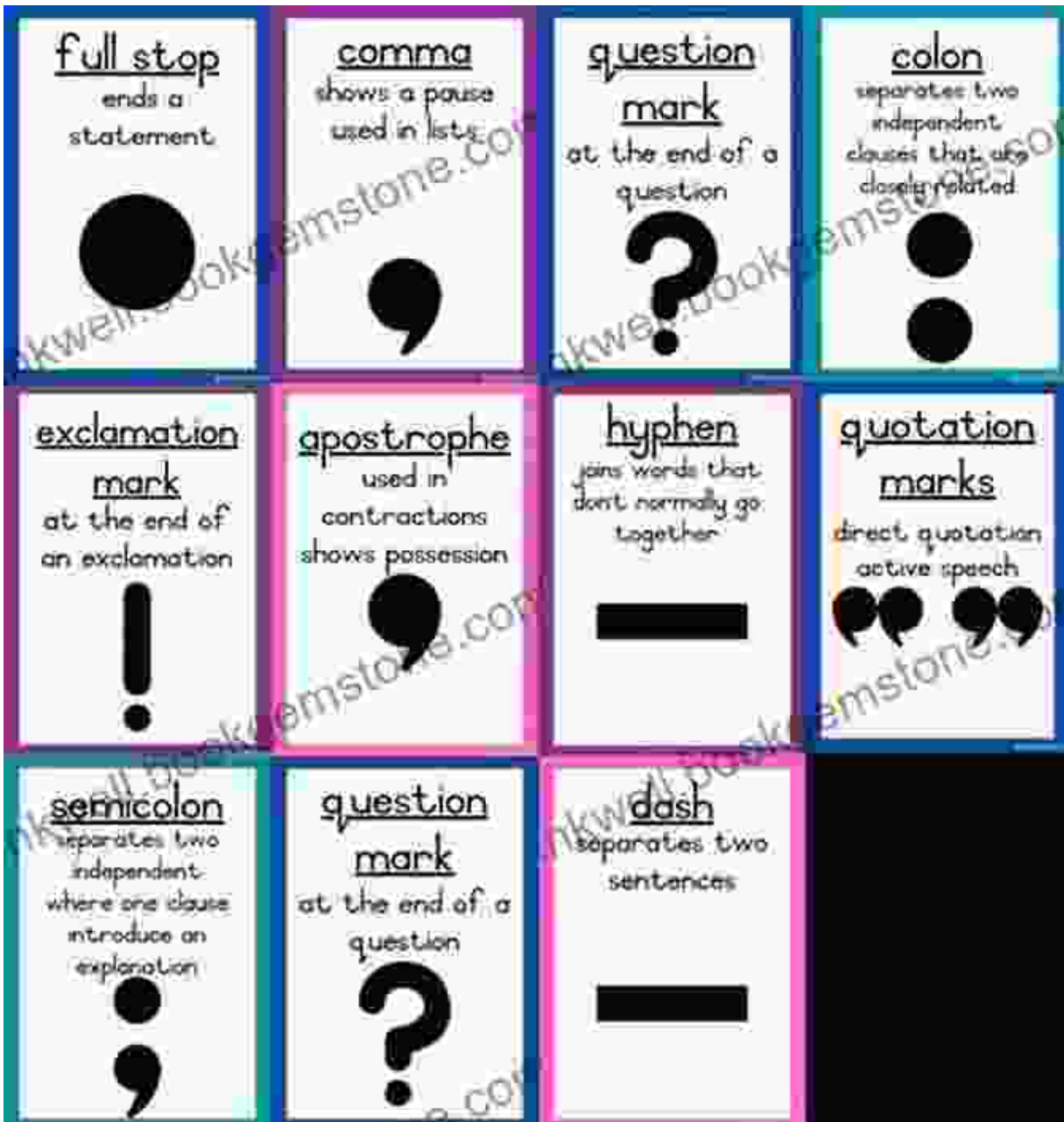
Question Mark (?)

The question mark is used to end a question.



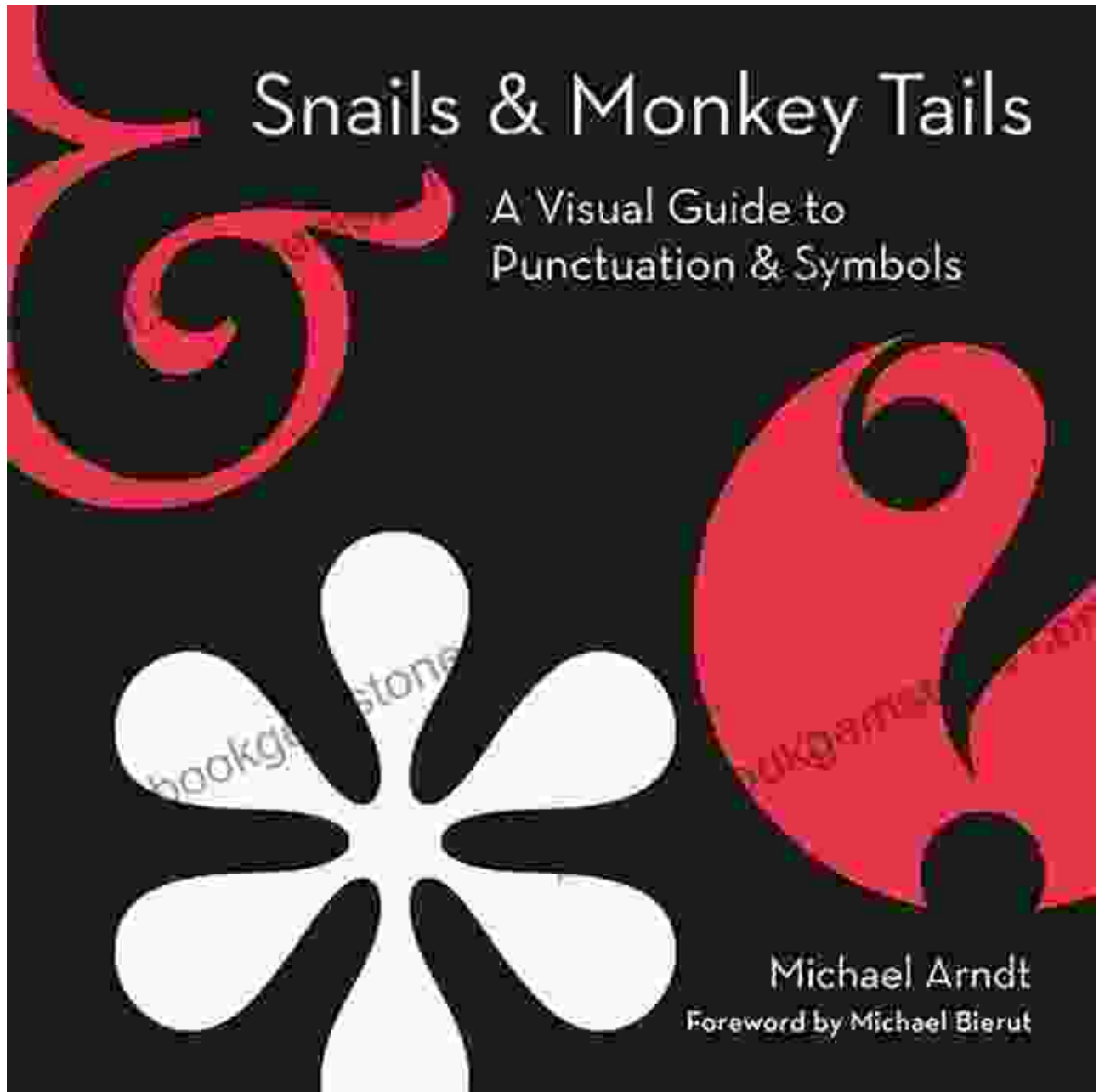
Exclamation Point (!)

The exclamation point is used to express strong emotion, such as surprise, anger, or excitement.



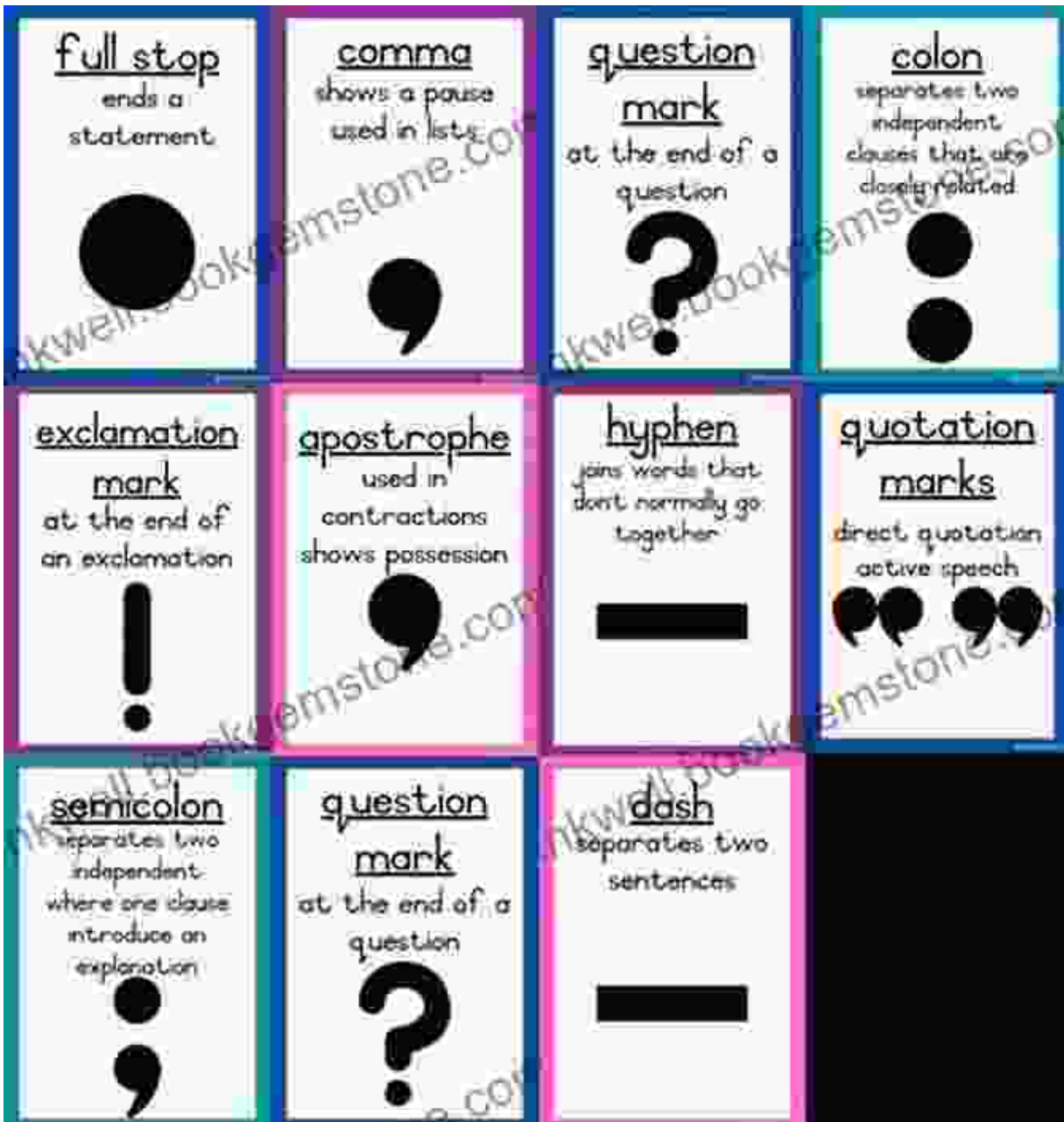
Apostrophe (')

The apostrophe is used to show possession, to form contractions, and to indicate the omission of letters.



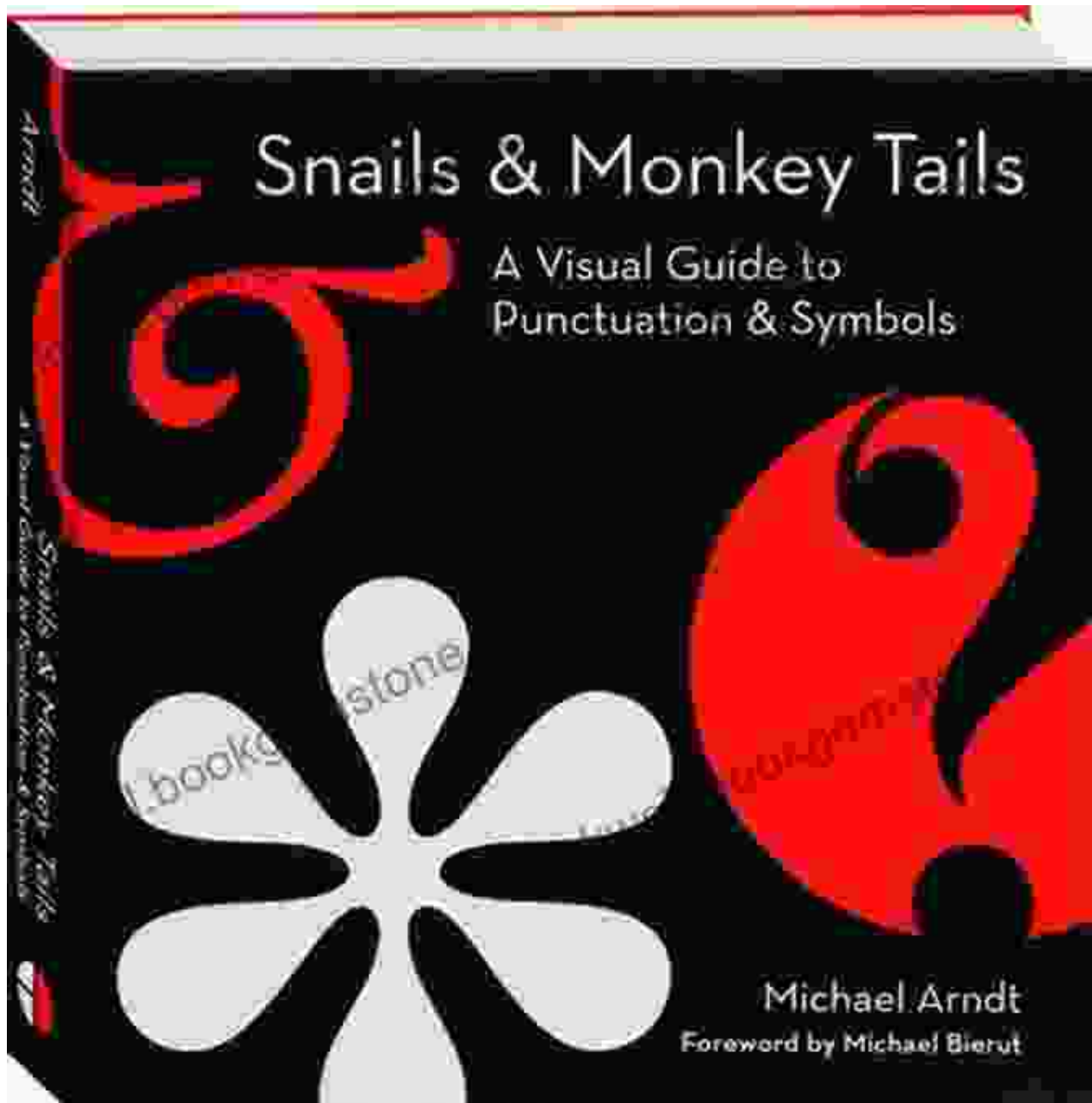
Quotation Marks (" ")

Quotation marks are used to enclose direct quotations.



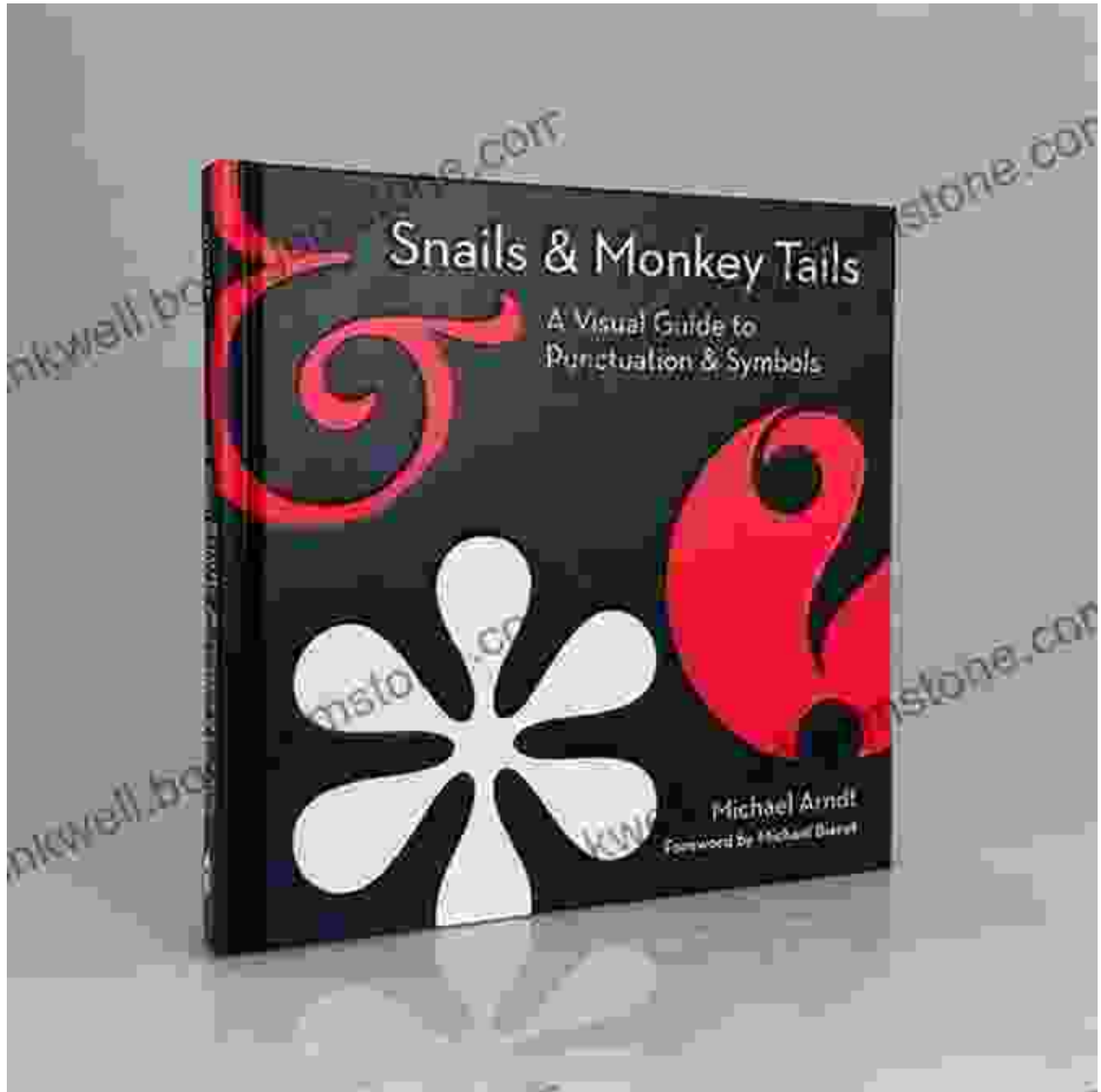
Parentheses ()

Parentheses are used to enclose additional information, such as explanations or examples.



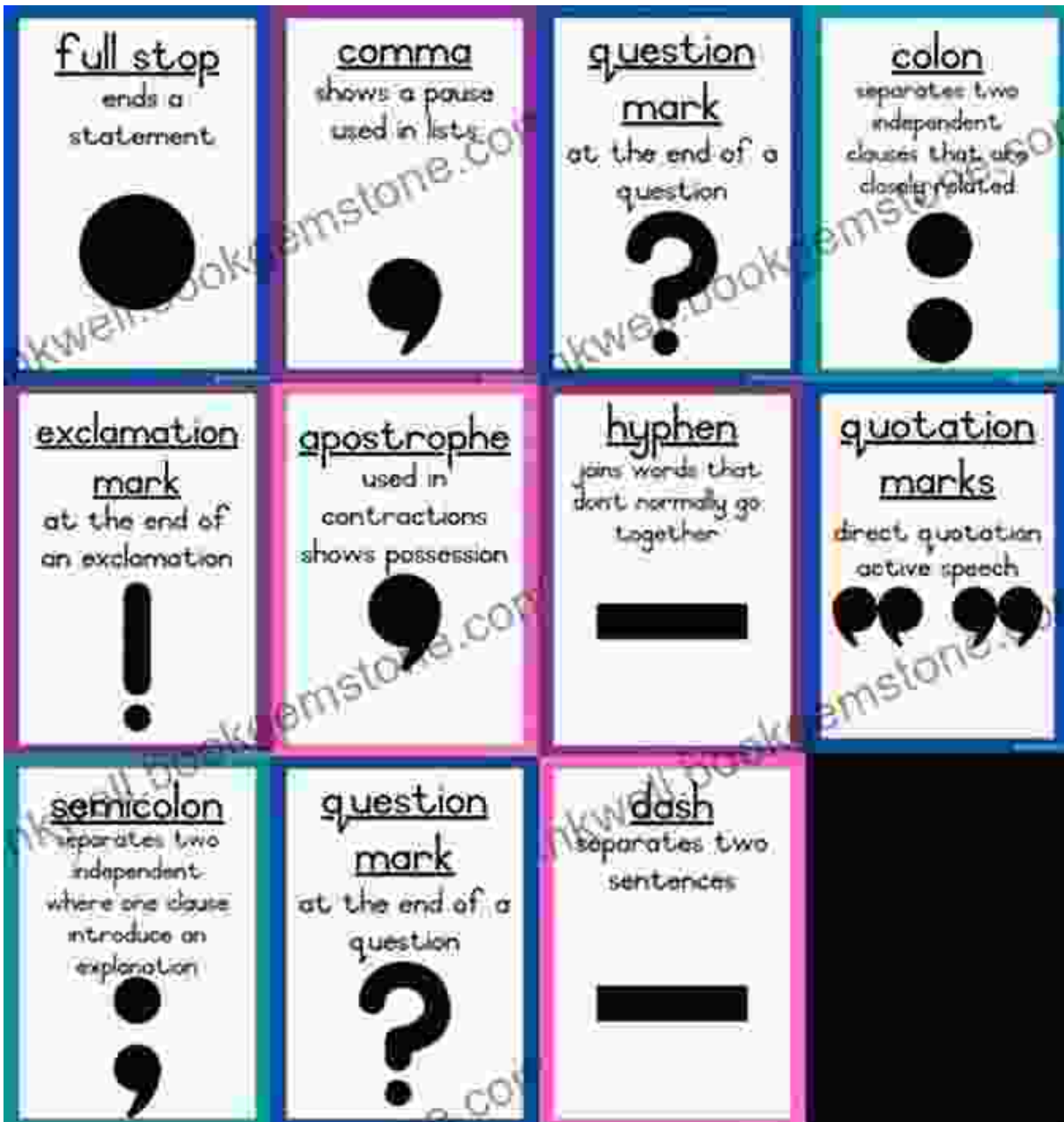
Brackets []

Brackets are used to enclose information that is not essential to the meaning of the sentence, such as references or citations.









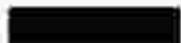




Ellipsis (...)

The ellipsis is used to indicate the omission of words or phrases from a quotation.



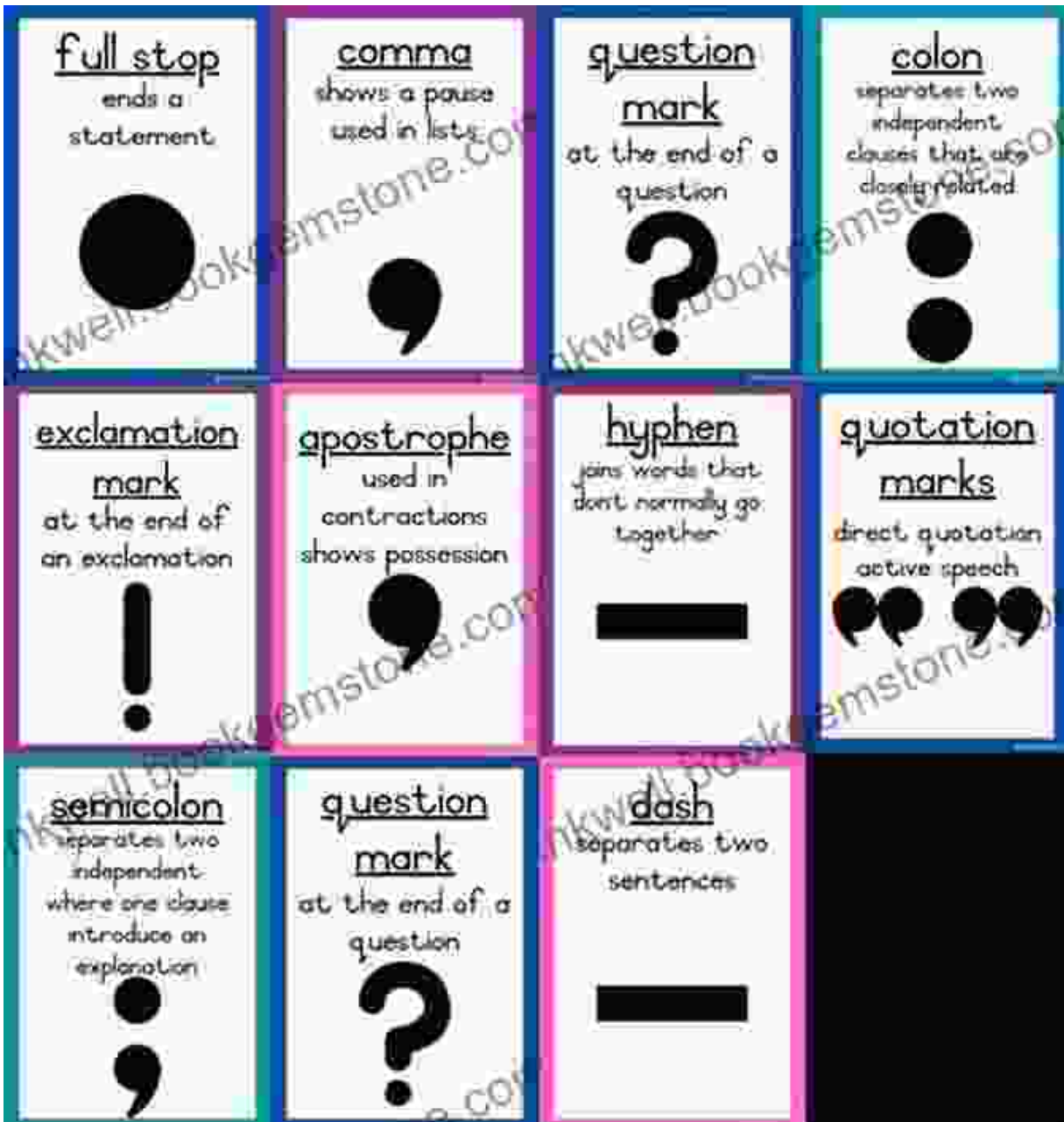
Hyphen (-)

The hyphen is used to connect words or parts of words, to divide words at the end of a line, and to indicate a range of numbers or dates.

<p><u>full stop</u> ends a statement</p> 	<p><u>comma</u> shows a pause used in lists</p> 	<p><u>question mark</u> at the end of a question</p> 	<p><u>colon</u> separates two independent clauses that are closely related</p> 
<p><u>exclamation mark</u> at the end of an exclamation</p> 	<p><u>apostrophe</u> used in contractions shows possession</p> 	<p><u>hyphen</u> joins words that don't normally go together</p> 	<p><u>quotation marks</u> direct quotation active speech</p> 
<p><u>semicolon</u> separates two independent where one clause introduces an explanation</p> 	<p><u>question mark</u> at the end of a question</p> 	<p><u>dash</u> separates two sentences</p> 	

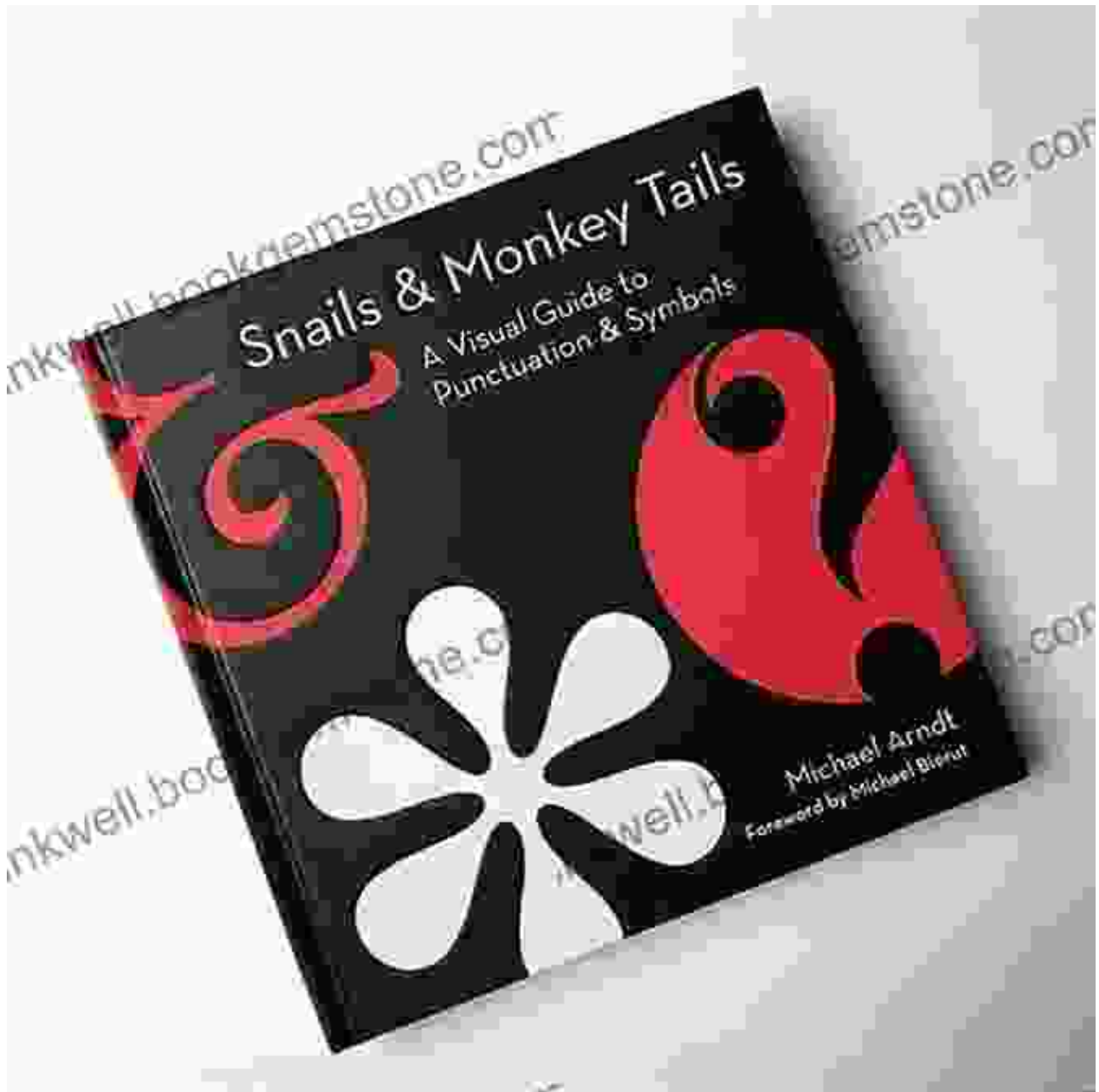
Dash (–)

The dash is used to set off parenthetical information, to introduce a list, or to indicate a sudden break in thought.



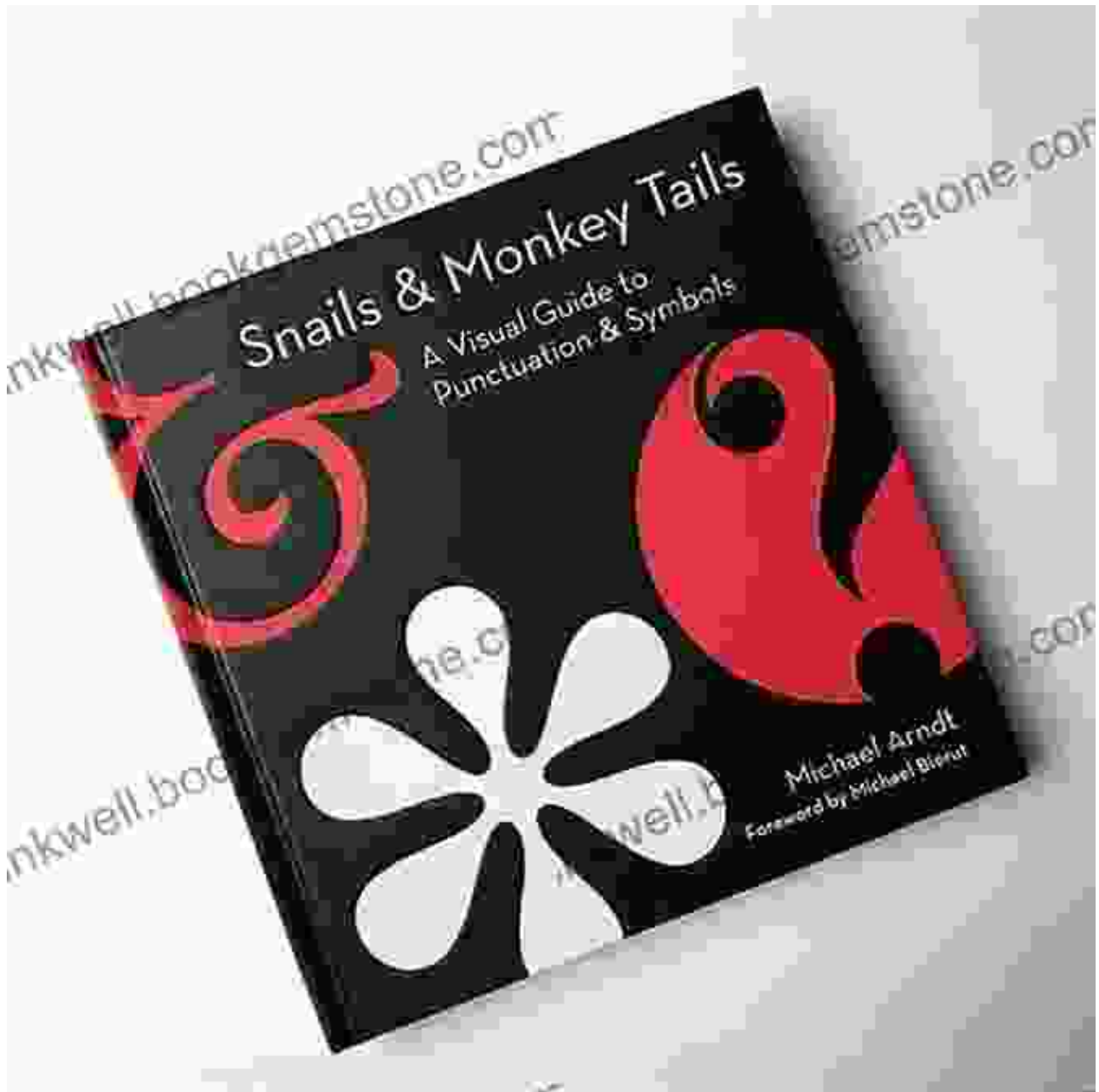
Slash (/)

The slash is used to separate two words or phrases, to indicate a fraction, or to indicate a choice between two options.

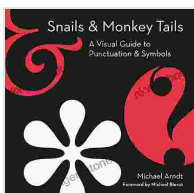


Backslash (\)

The backslash is used to escape characters in programming and to indicate the start of a new line in a file path.



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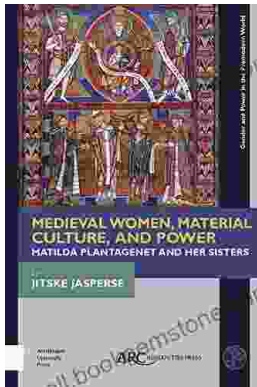
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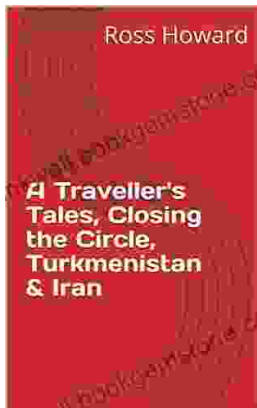
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