

You must obserue also those which we do call * points or stays in writing, as this mark (,) like to a small half Down noteth a small stay: two prickes thus (:) makes a longer stay: and one prick thus (.) is put for a full stay, as if we had ended. When a question is asked, we mark it thus (?)

When some words may be left out, and yet the sentence perfect, it is noted thus (), as, Teach me (I pray you) to read.

But for the true framing of your voice in all these, you must craue help of your Master.

You must also know the short kind of writing used in some words: as a strike over any vowel for m or n; as ma for man, cō for con, ſ for the, þ for that, y for thou, w for what &c.

for

* The points are thus called
 (,) a Comma.
 (:) a Colon.
 (.) a Period.
 (?) an Interrogation.
 () a Parenthesis.

Called Breviations.

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