

## Sentence Spectrum Answer Key

### Sentence Breakdown:

1. On Friday afternoon, our class took a trip to the science museum, and everyone buzzed with excitement as we walked through the tall glass doors. → **Declarative (D)**
2. The first thing we noticed was the enormous skeleton of a T-Rex towering above us. → **Declarative (D)**
3. Have you ever seen something that looks so fierce? → **Interrogative (IG)**
4. Be sure to read the labels on each display carefully. → **Imperative (IP)**
5. The astronomy room sparkled with glowing stars and planets, and we listened closely to the guide's explanation about galaxies. → **Declarative (D)**
6. Don't touch the meteorite, because it is very fragile. → **Imperative (IP)**
7. Can we visit the space shuttle simulator next? → **Interrogative (IG)**
8. Wow, that rocket looks like it could blast off right now! → **Exclamatory (E)**
9. Before we left, we stopped at the gift shop, and I bought a small model of the solar system to remember the day. → **Declarative (D)**

### Teacher Notes / Guide:

- **Purpose tip:** Always ask, *What is the sentence doing?* If it's telling information → Declarative. If it's asking → Interrogative. If it's directing someone → Imperative. If it's expressing strong emotion → Exclamatory.
- **Common confusion:** Imperatives often *sound like requests* but still count as commands (e.g., "Please take a picture").
- **Extension idea:** Have students rewrite two sentences into a *different type* (e.g., turn the declarative about monkeys into an exclamatory).