

Indicating a Pause

An ellipsis is a series of three dots (. . .) which shows that some text has been left out. It is used to shorten a long quotation by removing words that don't change the meaning of what is being quoted. An ellipsis can also be used to indicate a pause, hesitation, the passage of time, or an incomplete thought.

DIRECTIONS: Write a few lines of dialogue to go with the picture. Somewhere in your dialogue, use an ellipsis to indicate a pause.



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