

Inverted Commas

Beginning and End
Keep your inverted commas at the beginning and the end of the words being spoken.
"Stop!" I said.

New Speaker, New Line
Start a new line whenever someone new speaks.
"How are you doing today?" asked Henry.
"I'm great!" said Ashton.

Capital Letter
Begin what is spoken with a capital letter!
"What an amazing day!" he announced.

Commas
Remember to add commas.
Ashton whispered, "Be quiet!"
"Goodbye," said Jules.

Punctuation
Make sure your speech is correctly punctuated!
"There are times, I feel, that you are a little cold," I said.

Different Names
Inverted Commas are also called:
Speech Marks
Quotation Marks

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Mixing It Up

I can use and correctly punctuate direct speech.
Direct speech can be placed at the beginning, middle or end of a sentence.

1. Put the missing inverted commas in each sentence.
Then write each sentence in two different ways.
The first is done for you.

- a) The girl said, "This tastes delicious."
- b) *"This tastes delicious," the girl said.* _____
- c) *"This tastes," the girl said, "delicious."* _____
- d) I can eat more, much more, the boy boasted.
e) _____
f) _____
- g) The crossing patrol woman explained, My lollipop stick is melting, and quickly.
h) _____
i) _____
- j) Stop eating immediately! shouted Cara.
k) _____
l) _____
- m) Do you know what? I feel very sick! Pippin wailed.
n) _____
o) _____