

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.

Different Names

Inverted Commas are also called:
Speech Marks
Quotation Marks

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.

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Remember to choose an appropriate level of challenge for you. You may complete more than one task if you wish.

Use this BBC Bitesize clip on [Using Inverted Commas](#) to help you revise writing direct speech.

- I'd like more practise
- I know what to do
- I'd like a challenge

Missing Punctuation

I can punctuate direct speech.

Someone has removed all the inverted commas from the extract below. Can you improve it by adding the correct punctuation?

Use these punctuation marks:

“ ”	.
inverted commas	full stop

My name's Miranda, by the way, she said.

Guster, said Guster.

Pleased to meet you I brought cake on purpose, in case I met any dragons I was hoping we could be friends It's lemon drizzle



Missing Punctuation

I can punctuate direct speech.

Someone has removed the speech punctuation from the extract below. Can you improve it by adding the correct punctuation?

Use these punctuation marks:

?	,	“ ”	.
question mark	comma	inverted commas	full stop

I don't know if I like lemon drizzle cake he said I've never tried it

It's homemade said Miranda Gran's own recipe Gran makes the best cakes in the world

Does it have any magic in it Guster wanted to be friendly but he wasn't stupid

No just lots of sugar It's really tasty look



Missing Punctuation

I can punctuate direct speech.

Someone has removed the punctuation from the extract below. Can you improve it by adding the correct punctuation?

Use these punctuation marks:

?	!	,	" "	.
question mark	exclamation mark	comma	inverted commas	full stop

Don't forget to start a new line for each new speaker! You will need to rewrite the extract.

He leapt around like an excited puppy She wants to help us Ma She can tell us all about the quarrel Quarry said Miranda quickly It's called a quarry She wants humans and dragons to be friends and she found the Wyrmstooth Crown Ma said Guster hurriedly picking up the slobber-covered crown from the rocky mountainside My crown cried Redbreath throwing her head back dramatically at the same moment that Miranda gasped That's the Wyrmstooth Crown

