

Summer Week 3 - English Lesson 2

Can I punctuate speech
correctly?

Fast Five - Answers on the next slide

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Today, we are going to look at punctuating direct speech.

Here are some of the rules:

- 1. The spoken words are shown with inverted commas on either side**
2. The first spoken word begins with a capital letter.
- 3. The punctuation of the spoken word is recorded inside the inverted commas.**
4. When there is a new speaker, start on a new line.

Let me show you

“Toby! Where are you?” screamed Sam.

Toby could hear his call but could not reply.

“I have to find him,” James replied. “I have to get him back.”

“Hello James,” Toby just about managed to say.

Please take care!

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Now you have a go at punctuating the dialogue

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Answer

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Activity:

Red - Punctuate the sentences correctly. Almost all of your sentences start with dialogue.

Yellow - Punctuate the sentences correctly. Some of your sentences start with dialogue while others end in dialogue.

Green - Punctuate the sentences correctly. In some of your sentences the dialogue is split.