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You need to open your quotation marks with a " (66) before the first word which is being spoken. **Quotation Marks** 

You need to close your quotation marks with a " (99) after the last word which is being spoken.

Imagine that quotation marks are like hands; they hold within them only the words which are being spoken.



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There are two places where other forms of punctuation are needed when writing direct speech:

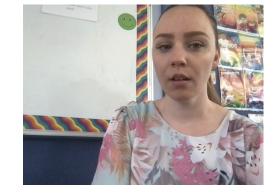
"What's the matter, Dina?" said Sid.

You need to end the speaking with

• a comma

a question mark, if it is a question
an exclamation mark, if it is an exclamation

You will need to finish your sentence with <sup>a full stop</sup> after the reporting clause.



Examples of other punctuation in direct speech are: "How exciting it is!" exclaimed Sarah. "I don't know what to do," said Sayeed.



## Froggy Freeze Frame

Write what each frog is saying using the correct speech punctuation...





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