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Direct speech



The fish asked, **'Is this your ring, little girl?'**
'No, that's the prince's ring,' answered the little girl.
The fish said, **'You're honest! Let me give you a present.'**

Direct speech is the same words someone said. We use quotation marks to show direct speech.

'I'm tired,' said Meg.
Use a comma, not a full stop here.

Meg said, 'I'm tired.'
Use a comma here. Use a full stop here.

Practice **What did they say? Write sentences using direct speech. Write the correct punctuation in the boxes.**

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Sam said ☐ '_____ ☐ '
'_____ ☐ ' replied Gigi.

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☐ _____ ☐☐ said Lucy.
Angie said ☐☐ _____ ☐☐

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Tony said ☐☐ _____ . ☐
☐ _____ ☐☐ answered Sue.

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Indirect speech

Prince : Where are you going?
Cinderella: The fairy **told** me **to** go home before twelve o'clock.
Prince : Why are you running?
Cinderella: She **told** me **not to** be late!



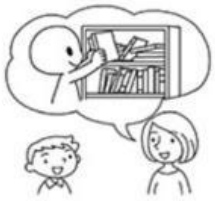
When we use **indirect speech**, we tell what someone said but we don't use the same words. There are no quotation marks.

Dad said to me, 'Turn off the TV.'
Dad **told** me **to** turn off the TV.

Mum said to Fay, 'Don't cry.'
Mum **told** Fay **not to** cry.

Practice

Rewrite the sentences using indirect speech. Follow the example.



1 Mum said to Kelvin, 'Tidy your room.'
Mum told Kelvin to tidy his room.

2 The security guard said to the woman, 'Don't take photos.'

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3 Grandpa said to me, 'Don't touch my plants.'

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4 The girls said to their brothers, 'Hurry up!'

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5 Miss Clark said to the boys, 'Listen to me.'

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6 The dentist said to the children, 'Brush your teeth twice a day.'

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