Dialogue: How Characters Talk: Worksheet

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Directions: Read each problem. Write your answer on the lines. A grown-up may read the problems aloud and write the words you say. Grades K–5.

1. Circle the words that someone says out loud.

> “I found a shell,” said June.

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2. Underline the dialogue tag (the part that tells who is talking).

> “The sun is hot,” said Grandpa Abe.

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3. Add the missing quotation marks.

> Where is my hat? asked Omar.

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4. Add the missing quotation marks and the missing comma.

> We can share said Lena.

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5. Choose the better tag word for this line: **said** or **asked**? Write the whole sentence.

> “Is it time for lunch?” _____ Kai.

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6. Fix the mistake. The quotation marks are in the wrong place.

> “The bus is late, said Mr. Ortiz.”

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7. The tag comes first in this sentence. Add the quotation marks and capital letter.

> Nadia whispered, the baby is asleep.

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8. Pick a tag word that shows how the character sounds: **whispered**, **shouted** or **giggled**. Explain your choice in one sentence.

> “Watch out for the puddle!” _____ Sam.

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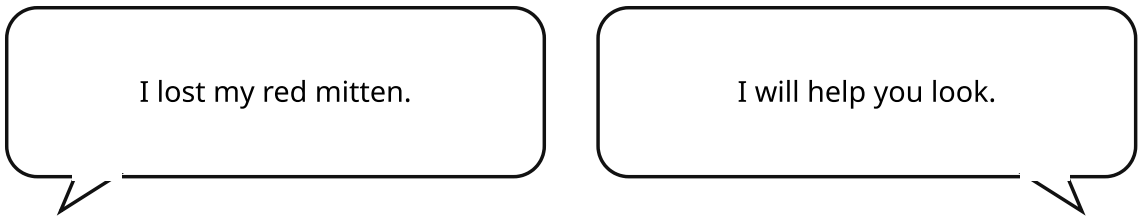
9. These two speakers are squeezed into one paragraph. Rewrite them so each speaker gets a new line.

> “Can I pet your dog?” asked Rosa. “Yes, he likes you,” said Theo.

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10. Turn these speech bubbles into two sentences with quotation marks and tags.



Bea **Finn**

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11. Write a short spoken exchange of three lines between a turtle and a bird. Use quotation marks, use **asked** at least once, and start a new line each time the speaker changes.

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12. Read your answer to problem 11 aloud. Write one change that would make a line sound more like that character.

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