

Writing Direct Speech

WEEK 11

What is direct speech?

Direct speech is a sentence in which the exact words spoken are reproduced in speech marks (also known as quotation marks or inverted commas). For example: "You'll never guess what I've just seen!" said Sam, excitedly.



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“What time is it?” the man asked.

I replied, “Four o'clock.”

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here's your change	he shouted
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Application

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“Are you playing out?” Anika asked her friend.

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Make sure your sentences are correctly punctuated.**

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. Mum suggested.

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Complete the sentences below using direct speech.
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The teacher asked, “Can I help you?”

“We could go to the park,” Mum suggested.

The gardener shouted, “Get off the grass!”

Reasoning

True or false? The sentence below is written correctly.

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Explain your answer.

Reasoning

True or false? The sentence below is written correctly.

I noticed that my friend looked sad so I asked her, “Is there anything wrong?”

Explain your answer.

False, the sentence is not correct because ‘is’ should begin with a capital letter and ‘Is there anything wrong’ should end with a question mark.