

## Activity:

The aim of this activity is for children to practise using inverted commas in a sentence to show someone is speaking. There are three questions to complete. The first two questions allow children to practise the skill, while the third question extends them as they have to apply their learning to get the answer.

## Vocabulary:

**Direct speech** is shown by writing exactly what was spoken between inverted commas.

**Inverted commas**, also known as speech marks, go before and after direct speech in a sentence, for example, "Watch out!" shouted the girl.

## Supporting resources:

You can watch the answer explanation video which takes children through this activity and ways to answer it on <https://www.youtube.com/user/ClassroomSecretsLtd/playlists> >> **Year 4 Playlist >> Punctuating Direct Speech Answer Explanation.**

## Other resources:

If your child enjoyed this activity and wants to try more activities linked to this learning, you can sign up for £4.83 per month on [classroomsecrets.co.uk/membership](https://classroomsecrets.co.uk/membership).

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## Punctuating Direct Speech

1. **B**
2. **C**
3. One sunny day, Mindy rushed into the kitchen and cried, “Can we go to the park today Daddy? Pretty please?”

**A capital letter is needed at the beginning of the sentence and at the start of the speech. There should be a comma before the speech and inverted commas to complete the speech.**