SPEECH MARKS

Speech marks, or inverted commas, are used when writing direct speech (the exact words that someone has said).

RIVERTED COMMAS He said, "I'm beginning to understand." "Finally!" she replied. "We're too late," I said. "Can we meet up tomorrow?" she asked.

Remember:

- that the punctuation at the end of the words that have been said always comes inside the final set of speech marks.
- that the punctuation at the end of the words can be a comma, full stop, question mark or exclamation mark.
- to start speech with a capital letter.
- to only place speech marks around what the speaker says.
- to start a new paragraph when a new person starts to speak.

Note:



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> In the above examples, He said, she replied, I said and she asked are all known as reporting clauses.