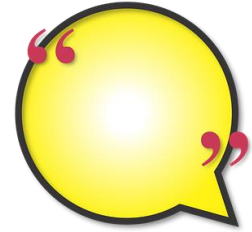




INVERTED COMMAS



Using Speech Marks

- Words that are spoken by a character needs to have speech marks at the beginning and end of speech
 - Start speech with a capital letter
 - Put punctuation at the end of speech and then close with speech marks
 - Depending on who is speaking, speech may be informal, have accents or help create personality
 - New speakers need a new line

“Wha... wha... what on earth was that?” I cried as Jane held onto me for dear life.

“The computers are gonna fall! Let’s get out of here. When I say run...run!” Jane exclaimed. We waited until the tremors stopped. It felt like forever. Jane yelled, **“RUN!”**

I finally replied, **“No! We’ll be safe here for now.”**

Using Speech to Move a Story On

- Dialogue can be used to explain what is happening in the story
 - Rather than describe a scene, get a character to do it
 - Get your characters to give or follow instructions

“Come on. Let’s see what’s left of this forest,” I whispered.

Peter replied, **“Okay. Let’s climb out together.”**

“Oh no! The whole forest’s destroyed. There’s nothing but burnt trees and smoking embers,” I cried as I waved the smoke out of my face, **“Look! A rabbit!”**

“Dude, that’s a bad idea. Just leave it,” Peter insisted.

“No. I’m going in...”

