# Recognising Speech

**1. Write the words which are spoken in the sentence below within the speech bubble.**

**Sebastian wanted to play a game so he excitedly suggested, "Let's play hide and seek! We haven't played that for ages!"**

Sebastian

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**2. Tick the sentences that use inverted commas correctly.**

**A. "Come and have a look at this!" shouted Harry excitedly.** ☐

**B. What is going on here?" asked the teacher curiously.** ☐

**C. "What time are you catching the bus to town? grunted Josh.** ☐

**D. "Where are you going to at this time of night?" exclaimed Mum.** ☐

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**3. Rewrite the sentences below, adding inverted commas in the correct places.**

**Megan shouted, Have you seen my trainers, Mum? I have P.E. today.**

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**4. Select the correct words to complete the speech below.**

**The children were having a great day at the theme park with their parents.**

**" _____ "**

**giggled Aurora, "_____"**

- **I want to go home.**
- **The rollercoaster was so much fun!**
- **Can we go on it again?**

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**5. Albert says he has underlined all of the words that are spoken in the sentences below.**

**It was the day Marcus had been waiting for – a trip to the zoo!**
**"Get your shoes on, Marcus, it's time to go," Mum called.**
**"I'm coming, Mum!" he yelled excitedly as he ran down the stairs.**
**"I have been ready and waiting to set off for ages!"**

**Is Albert correct? Convince me.**

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**6. Lisa has written a passage and has included direct speech.**

**What shall we do? "mumbled Harry". "I really don't know but I think we should get out of here! whispered Ellie. And with that, they crept through the darkened room. Ssshhhh!" muttered Harry. They stood with their backs against the wall and listened. "Are they footsteps I can hear"?**

**Explain the mistakes.**

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4. The children were having a great day at the theme park with their parents. "The rollercoaster was so much fun!" giggled Aurora, "Can we go on it again?"

5. Albert is incorrect because he has underlined the reporting clause 'he yelled excitedly' instead of underlining the words 'I'm coming, Mum!' which are the words inside the inverted commas.

6. "What shall we do?" mumbled Harry. "I really don't know but I think we should get out of here!" whispered Ellie. And with that, they crept through the darkened room. "Ssshhhh!" muttered Harry. They stood with their backs against the wall and listened. "Are they footsteps I can hear?"

In the first sentence, Lisa is incorrect as she has placed the inverted commas around the reporting clause and not the direct speech. Lisa has not used inverted commas to close the direct speech after 'here'. Inverted commas need to also be placed in front of 'ssshhhh' to so show that Harry has begun speaking. Inverted commas are also needed after the speech punctuation (in this case the question mark) and not before.


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