

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Today we are going to revise how to write direct speech 'dialogue' in narratives.  
Look at the example below:

**“This way,” said Arlin, without saying hello or smiling.**

<b>“ = Opening quotation mark</b>	<b>T = Begin with a capital</b>	<b>This way = spoken words</b>
<b>, = end with punctuation</b>	<b>” = close quotation</b>	<b>said = qualifying verb</b>

Proofread the following sentences of conversation. Rewrite each sentence with correct punctuation. Make sure that you capitalise, insert quotation marks, commas, full-stops, exclamation marks and question marks where needed.

1. ive had it for five days now said doon
2. youre writing all this down questioned father
3. maybe youll find some interesting new bugs in the pipeworks father said
4. maybe said doon
5. what are you doing lina cried
6. something is lost granny answered
7. whats lost granny lina questioned
8. i dont quite recall said the old woman
9. but granny youre ruining the couch lina exclaimed

Sometimes in a narrative you will come across written dialogue where the actual spoken words do not start the sentence. Look at the sentence below and notice the difference then correct the sentences that follow. 'I have underlined the actual spoken word'.

**The old man said in a slow, hoarse voice, “My stove is broke, don’t come for dinner. Repeat.”**

<b>“ = Opening quotation mark</b>	<b>M = Begin with a capital</b>	<b>My stove ... = spoken words</b>
<b>, = end with punctuation</b>	<b>” = close quotation</b>	<b>said = qualifying verb</b>

10. mrs murdo nodded twice and said i will certainly
11. id hate it if we couldnt have potatoes anymore lina said
12. i would too said clary
13. clary hesitated and glanced sideways at lina it hasnt worked right for a long time
14. lina told clary i have to take arbin swinn the answer to his message
15. i hope youll come again said clary