

Lesson 374

Mechanics - Punctuation - Quotation Marks

Begin a new paragraph with each change of speaker in dialogue.

Example:

"Can I count on you?" asked Carl.

"Yes, you can," said Matthew.

"You cannot fail us," replied Claudia.

Instructions: Make new paragraphs and place *quotation marks* where needed in the following dialogues.

1. Knock on the door. I will be right behind you, said John. I am afraid, said James. You are bigger and older so you knock. I will do it. Why are you worried about it? It is just Halloween, interrupted Matthew, and there is nothing scary about this house.

2. Chantelle said, I never get to be the mother when we play. You can be the mother today, replied Hayley. When will I get to be the mother? asked Alise. You are too little, replied Hayley and Chantelle.

3. We are going to have a new baby, said Ann. I hope it is a boy, said Chris. We need a boy in the family. I want it to be a girl, remarked Rebecca. I don't care, said Allison. I just hope it hurries up.

4. Do you want to play on the computer with me, Mark? asked Todd. I am too little, said Mark. Mommy won't let me. Todd, you wouldn't let him play very much if he could, stated Stephanie. Todd said, I am going to change and let him now.

5. Lindsay asked, Do we have everything for the trip? I hope so, replied Boyd. Did you get everything for Celeste? I have had it ready all day, said Lindsay.