

Punctuating Speech in Two Parts



Sometimes speech is broken up by other information.

The sentence hasn't finished yet, so you need a comma.

"Look," said Amy, "it's there!"

You still need a comma before the second bit of speech...

You don't need a capital letter if the second bit of speech is part of the same sentence.

...and punctuation at the end.

1 Tick the sentences which are punctuated correctly.

"At long last," said the villain, "the whole world will be mine!"

"That piano over there" said Mr Davidson "needs to be tuned."

"I like apple crumble", said Imogen, "but I prefer blueberry".

"Excuse me," said the lady, "do you know what time it starts?"

2 Put the punctuation in the boxes into each of the sentences.
The punctuation is already in the correct order.

" , " , " . "



This drink said Guy tastes of nothing

" , " , " . "



I think said Rob it's just round here

" , " , " ! "



And then said Sam he just disappeared

3 Rewrite each sentence using inverted commas and the correct punctuation.

I think said Gwen that we should all go

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Just focus said Dan and it will be fine

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"I can punctuate two bits of speech in a sentence."

