

Who Said What?

When using speech, you normally add a **reporting clause** to let the reader know who is speaking. This can come before or after the speech. For example:

Reporting
Clause

Rachel said, "My favourite food is pizza."

"My favourite food is pizza," said Rachel.

Reporting
Clause

If the reporting clause is **before** the speech, place a comma to separate it from the speech. However, if the reporting clause comes **after** the speech, use a full stop to show it's the end of the sentence.

Complete the sentences below by adding all the correct punctuation in the space provided.

1. What time will they arrive asked Sarah
2. Jack said My favourite colour is blue
3. The dragon sighed I'm tired of everyone running away from me
4. Off with her head shouted the Queen of Hearts
5. The frog declared Kiss me and I'll turn into a prince
6. Little pig, let me come in pleaded the big, bad wolf

Challenge: Rewrite the following sentence with the correct punctuation and capital letters.

the little boy said can I have hot chocolate before bed please