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What Are Quotation Marks?

Quotation marks are used to show when a character in a sentence is making a statement, or when a narrator is quoting someone directly.

EXAMPLE: She stared at me and asked, "Have we met? You look familiar."

Quotation marks are not used when a sentence uses an indirect quote.

EXAMPLE: The waiter said they were out of tomato soup.

Part I. Insert the missing quotation marks into these sentences. Some of these sentences may not need quotation marks. Don't forget to add commas where necessary!

- 1. This card is to say thank you for all your hard work.
- 2. Stop! cried Julia as the bus pulled away from the station.
- 3. I thought I might need glasses, but the optometrist said my eyesight was fine.
- 4. As soon as the ball flew under the bat, the umpire shouted Strike three! You're out.
- 5. Can I help you find something? asked the salesperson.
- 6. Say hello to my new puppy, Fido.
- 7. Are you ready to go? my mom asked.
- 8. Dad told me that we are going to get bunk beds when the new baby comes.

Part II. Choose one sentence from Part 1 that did not use quotation marks. Rewrite the sentence so that it needs quotation marks.