

DIRECT SPEECH

YEAR 3 ENGLISH: Grammar Worksheets

Direct speech is when we write or say the exact words that someone has spoken.

We show this by putting the person's words inside quotation marks (also called speech marks).



 Example:

Emma said, "I love ice cream."

- The quotation marks " " go around what Emma actually said.
- We use a comma before the speech starts.
- The punctuation (like a full stop, question mark, or exclamation mark) goes inside the speech marks.



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Focus: Using quotation marks and punctuation in speech



Activity 1: What Did They Say?

Instructions: Add quotation marks (" ") around what the person is saying.

1. Sarah said I love chocolate ice cream.

2. The teacher said Please sit down quietly.

3. Mum said Don't forget your lunch.

4. Dad said It's time to go home.

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Activity 2: You Try It!

Instructions: Rewrite the sentences using correct punctuation for direct speech.

1. Dad said I'm making pancakes for breakfast

2. Lily asked Can we go to the park today

3. The boy shouted Watch out

4. The teacher said Open your books to page ten

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Bonus Thinking Challenge



Write your own sentences using direct speech on the lines below!

Make sure to use quotation marks and punctuation correctly.

Handwriting practice lines for direct speech sentences. Each line set consists of a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line.

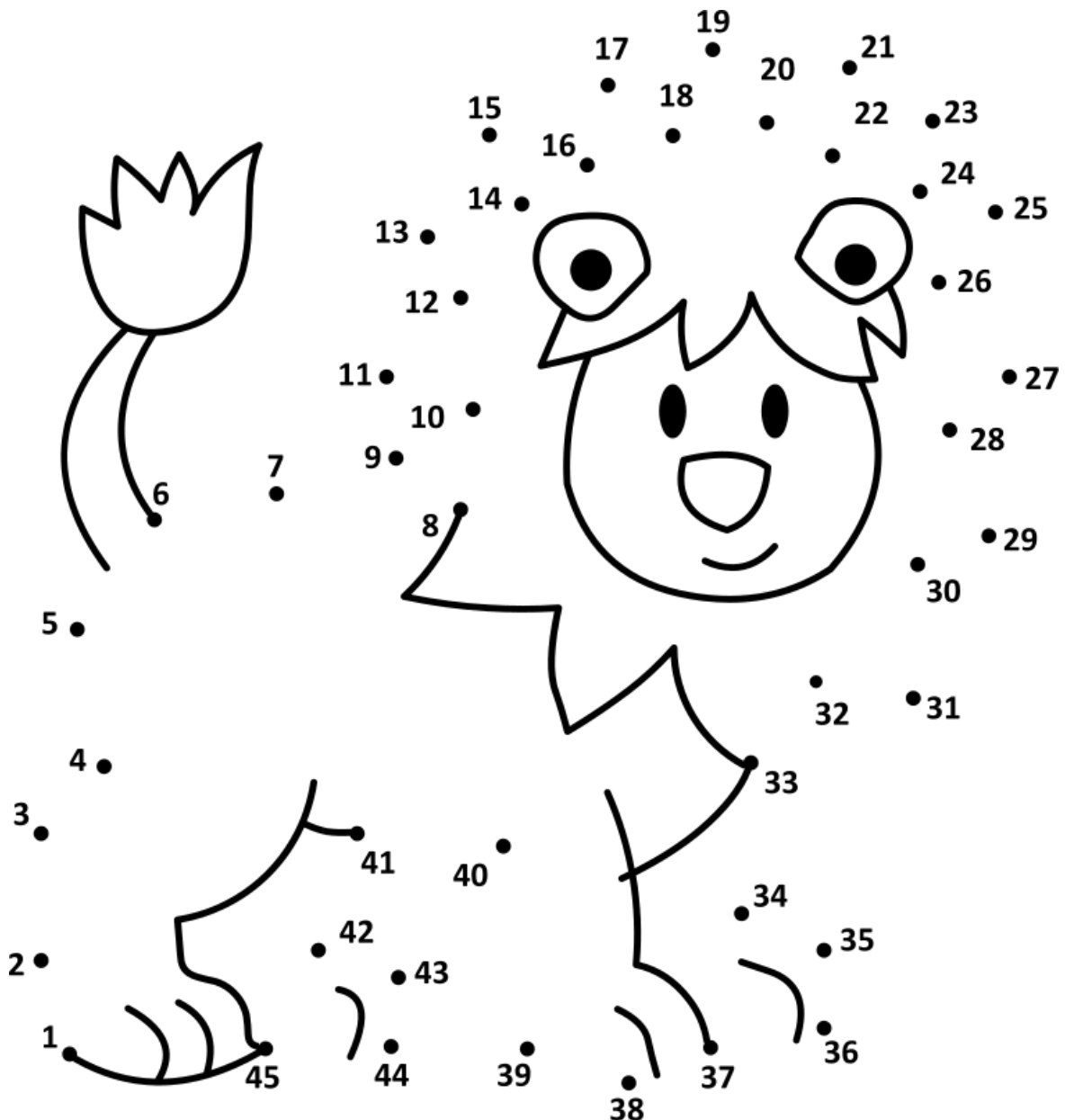
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Activity One – What did they say?

1. Sarah said I love chocolate ice cream.  Sarah said, "I love chocolate ice cream."

2. The teacher said Please sit down quietly.  The teacher said, "Please sit down quietly."

3. Mum said Don't forget your lunch.  Mum said, "Don't forget your lunch."

4. Dad said It's time to go home.  Dad said, "It's time to go home."

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Activity Two – You try it!

1. Dad said I'm making pancakes for breakfast  Dad said, "I'm making pancakes for breakfast."
2. Lily asked Can we go to the park today  Lily asked, "Can we go to the park today?"
3. The boy shouted Watch out  The boy shouted, "Watch out!"
4. The teacher said Open your books to page ten  The teacher said, "Open your books to page ten."

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