

Max's Maths Shop: Using Speech Marks

Learning objective: To use inverted commas (speech marks) to punctuate direct speech accurately.

Max the monkey is helping at a toy shop. Read the scenes below. Write what each character says. Remember: start with a capital letter inside the speech marks and put punctuation inside the end marks! Use the word bank to help you.

Word bank: said · asked · shouted · replied · speech marks · capital letter · punctuation

1. Max is looking at a toy car. He asks the shopkeeper how much it costs. Write what Max asks: (2 marks)

2. The shopkeeper tells Max that the toy car costs £4.50. Write what the shopkeeper says: (2 marks)

3. Max is happy with the price. He tells the shopkeeper he will buy it. Write what Max says: (2 marks)

4. Pip the caterpillar arrives at the shop. Pip says hello to Max. Write what Pip says: (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Can you write one more sentence where a character asks a question? Make sure you use a question mark inside the speech marks!