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Writing dialogue

Grade 5 Punctuation Worksheet

When writing a dialogue, remember:

1. Use quotation marks before and after the speaker's words.
2. Use a comma to separate what the speaker said from the rest of the sentence.
3. Start a new paragraph when switching speakers.
4. Don't always use *"said"*. Other possible words include: exclaimed, explained, muttered, whispered, grumbled, yelled, shouted, replied, stated and asked.

Imagine the following scene and write dialogue for it. It's okay if some parts are not dialogue but the majority should be!

Scene: During a long family road trip, the three kids start bickering in the backseat.