

Quotation Models

Below I have shown several ways that quotations (dialogue) can be represented in stories. Find the sentence that is written like the sentence you would like to write, and look at the:

- capital letters
- commas
- end marks
- quotation marks (where do they begin? where do they end?)

Notice that every time a new person speaks, you indent (push in) the line. You do not skip lines between sentences.

Mary and Frank were discussing their favorite and least favorite things. Mary asked, “What’s your favorite food, Frank?”

“I love pizza,” said Frank. “I could eat pizza for every meal, every day!”

“What’s your favorite kind?” asked Mary.

Frank answered, “I like pepperoni and sausage, but mushrooms are good, too.”

“Mushrooms!” exclaimed Mary. “Yuck! I would never eat mushrooms. They’re too slimy!”

“They look slimy,” replied Frank, “but they taste really good.”

“Gross! I’d rather eat worms,” grimaced Mary.

“Hmmm. I’ll keep that in mind,” said Frank with a sly smile.