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Skill: Using Quotation Marks

A direct quotation is a person's exact words in writing. Quotation marks are used to enclose these words.

Example: Clyde said, "I am a great baseball player."

An indirect quotation does not use a person's exact words. There are no quotation marks needed in the case of an indirect quotation.

Some of the sentences below are direct quotations. Some of the sentences are indirect quotations. Read each sentence and write a "D" in the blank if it is a direct quote. Write "I" in the blank if it is an indirect quote. Add quotation marks where they are necessary.

1. _____ The game starts at 1:00 P.M. on Friday, said Clyde.

2. _____ Come and get your popcorn! yelled the man.

3. _____ The coach told us to be at the ballpark at 12:30 sharp.

4. _____ You're out! shouted the umpire.

5. _____ How could that be? asked Mr. Allen.

6. _____ You did not touch the base, said the umpire.

7. _____ I explained to her why she should stay at home.

8. _____ The umpire yelled for the players to get on with the game.

9. _____ The catcher gave the pitcher a signal to throw a fast ball.

10. _____ When Jan arrived, Marcy Winters exclaimed, Jan, what happened to your hair?

11. _____ Then she smiled and said, It's me, the new Jan Brady!

