Writing Activity 5

Friday 15th January 2021

WALT: understand and apply the rules of direct speech.

Rules for Direct Speech

- Inverted commas around the speech
- Piece of punctuation before closing the inverted commas
- Tell the reader who is speaking
- Interesting words instead of said
- New speaker, new line
- Speech starts with a capital letter

For example:

"I can't wait for bedtime!"
Sophie whispered quietly
while yawning.



Your Task:

Task 1:

Convert these sentences into direct speech using the rules that are mentioned above. The first one has been done for you.

- I. Policeman: Take 'em to the workhouse! "Take 'em to the workhouse!" commanded the policeman angrily, while waving his arm towards Jim.
- 2. Jim: I don't want to go!
- 3. The matron: Come an' get scrubbed and cropped.
- 4. The master: Joseph! Come over here.
- 5. Joseph: I'm comin' sir.
- 6. Mr Sissons: I don't want to hear any talkin'!

Extension:

Now write 5 of your own sentences which include direct speech. Remember to include all of the rules of direct speech.