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Direct Speech and Quotation Marks

Direct speech is when the words of a speaker are actually reproduced. Quotation marks are used to indicate direct speech.

DIRECT SPEECH: "Tom was late," Jill said.

INDIRECT SPEECH: Jill said Tom was late.

DIRECTIONS: Determine whether each sentence below contains **direct** or **indirect** speech. Write direct or indirect on the line. If it contains direct speech, add quotation marks where needed.

- _____ 1. John said he didn't like apples.
- _____ 2. I wish that fairies were real, Ellen said.
- _____ 3. I want asparagus for dinner, Hank told his mother.
- _____ 4. That bus is never on time, Ryan whined.
- _____ 5. George said the paint was dry.
- _____ 6. I can't believe you said that! Robin cried.
- _____ 7. Ed's teacher said he had perfect attendance.
- _____ 8. I've heard that Frank has a new puppy, Mark confided.
- _____ 9. Don't do that! Kim shouted.
- _____ 10. Donald advised us against eating the buffet pizza.

