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What do you think Marcus will say to Tata after he rescues him?

How might Tata be feeling at this point? why?



Direct Speech is spoken language written down as if it were a real overheard conversation. Words such as 'he said' and 'she asked' show who is speaking to whom.

It is used a lot in narrative. It makes the characters believable and more convincing.

"We must get you out of here at once!" shouted Marcus at his father as he threw the snake at the Lanista.

What are the elements of direct speech?
What happens when a new character speaks?

Where is the direct speech in this text?

An hour later, father and son found themselves in a deserted old town by an azure blue river. "I'm so glad we escaped from there together father!" Marcus uttered with a relief.

"I dread what would have happened to me if you hadn't come in time. I owe you my life son." Tata whispered putting his hands in his head and breathing a sigh of relief.

"Tata," Marcus rasped. "What was that?"

"Sulfur gas," Tata replied with panic in his voice. His voice was ragged from coughing. Without a moments thought, Tata grabbed Marcus's hand quickly loaded the donkey and headed for the mountain

What does it tell you about the characters?

I can't thank you
enough for saving
my life Marcus!

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Teacher model converting speech bubble to direct speech. Children to write Marcus's response on their paper. Remind them that they MUST leave a line for a new speaker.



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Write direct speech using the speech bubbles.
Try to use said just once!

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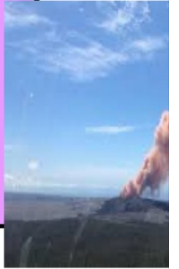
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Challenge: Add an action to each of the speech tags to show how the character is feeling and what they are doing.

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