

**SPAG Activity: Direct speech in non-fiction text.**

Watch this video clip to recap the punctuation and layout of direct speech: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zr6bxyc/articles/zhqh92p>

Now write 5 interesting sentences in your book using direct speech. **“Remembering all the correct punctuation!”** whispered Mrs Marshall.

**Day 1: Planning a descriptive story**

Today you are to write your plan for the story ‘Catch it’. You are to imagine you are one of the meerkats and write the story from your view point.



1. Watch the clip again: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c88QE6yGhfM>
2. To write your plan, complete the table below. Making notes of the main events, key words and phrases will help you structure your first draft tomorrow. Use a dictionary and thesaurus to help find great vocabulary and check spellings are correct. <https://www.collinsdictionary.com/dictionary/english-thesaurus>

main events:  (paragraphs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early morning all the meerkats wake up at the same time.</li> <li>• All go to see the delicious fruit.</li> <li>• .....</li> <li>• .....</li> <li>• .....</li> </ul>
adjectives	furious, froze, .....
key words	savannah, gang of meerkats, .....
verbs	racing, .....
verbs	skillfully, .....
similes	Like a professional rugby team we rallied into formation. .....