

Commas and quotation marks

Grade 5 Punctuation Worksheet

Add punctuation to the sentences as needed.

Commas go **after** the dialogue inside quotation marks. Commas go **before** quotation marks when introducing dialogue.

Today is my birthday Peter declared with a wide grin spreading across his face.

We absolutely must celebrate Tina replied excitedly and we should invite all of our friends!

What a great idea! We could try that new pizza restaurant exclaimed Peter.

I love that idea Tina responded, clapping her hands together in excitement.

Reaching for his phone, Peter said Okay, I'll start calling our buddies right away.

And I'll take care of the pizza place for a reservation Tina offered because I know the best pepperoni pizza in town!

After a brief pause, she added I suppose I should also call the bakery. What's a birthday without a delicious, chocolatey cake?

This is going to be an unforgettable day Peter thought aloud because I've never had a birthday party!

After a few minutes, Tina said Guess what? I just spoke to the bakery and they're preparing a special three-layer cake just for you!

This is going to be the best birthday ever Peter whispered to himself.



Write your own sentence with the quote *before* the speaker's name.

Answers

Answers may vary slightly.

“Today is my birthday,” Peter declared with a wide grin spreading across his face.

“We absolutely must celebrate,” Tina replied excitedly, “and we should invite all of our friends!”

“What a great idea! We could try that new pizza restaurant,” exclaimed Peter.

“I love that idea,” Tina responded, clapping her hands together in excitement.

Reaching for his phone, Peter said, “Okay, I’ll start calling our buddies right away.”

“And I’ll take care of the pizza place for a reservation,” Tina offered, “because I know the best pepperoni pizza in town!”

After a brief pause, she added, “I suppose I should also call the bakery. What’s a birthday without a delicious, chocolatey cake?”

“This is going to be an unforgettable day,” Peter thought aloud, “because I’ve never had a birthday party!”

After a few minutes, Tina said, “Guess what? I just spoke to the bakery and they’re preparing a special three-layer cake just for you!”

“This is going to be the best birthday ever,” Peter whispered to himself.

Write your own sentence with the quote *before* the speaker’s name.

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