

HOW TO WRITE A DIALOGUE: Activités d'application

1. Match the "speech tags" and their translation:

1. he said	A. poursuivit-il / continua-t-il	1. → M
2. she repeated	B. ajoutai-je	2. → K
3. he replied quietly	C. répondit-il doucement	3. → C
4. they asked me	D. rétorqua-t-elle	4. → J
5. he snapped	E. hurla-t-elle	5. → I
6. he began	F. crièrent-ils	6. → H
7. she yelled	G. interrompit-elle	7. → E
8. they shouted	H. commença-t-il	8. → F
9. she interrupted	I. dit-il d'un ton brusque	9. → G.
10. he went on	J. me demandèrent-ils	10. → A
11. she retorted	K. répéta-t-elle	11. → D
12. I added	L. murmura-t-il	12. → B
13. he whispered	M. dit-il	13. → L

2. Match the adverbs and their translation:

1. shyly	A. désespérément	1. → M
2. quietly	B. furieusement	2. → E
3. angrily	C. en colère	3. → C
4. sternly	D. calmement	4. → G
5. enthusiastically	E. doucement	5. → L
6. hesitatingly	F. en hésitant	6. → F
7. desperately	G. sévèrement	7. → A
8. curiously	H. sèchement	8. → J
9. calmly	I. vivement	9. → D
10. furiously	J. curieusement / avec curiosité	10. → B
11. briskly	K. d'un air menaçant	11. → I
12. threateningly	L. avec enthousiasme	12. → K
13. curtly	M. timidement	13. → H

3. Complete the following sentences with a verb and an adverb:

- "Go out immediately or I'll smack you!" he threatened angrily / yelled furiously.
- "Could you ...er... tell me ...er... if Mr Brown is here?" she asked shyly / inquired hesitatingly.
- "That's great! Congratulations!" she blurted out enthusiastically.
- "Please, help me! I beg you!" she implored desperately.
- "Where did you meet him?" I asked curiously / nosily.

4. Answer with **So** or **Neither** to express your agreement (« *Moi aussi* » / « *Moi non plus* »).

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| 1. I went to bed late last night. | So did I. |
| 2. I can't go to the party. | Neither can I. |
| 3. I've just had dinner. | So have I. |
| 4. I'm thirsty. | So am I. |
| 5. I didn't surf the web this morning. | Neither did I. |
| 6. I don't know what to do. | Neither do I. |
| 7. I need a holiday | So do I. |
| 8. I won't go to school tomorrow. | Neither will I. |
| 9. I'll phone Alex next week. | So will I. |

5. Put a question-tag on the end of these sentences.

1. Tom won't be late, will he?
2. You're tired, aren't you?
3. You've got a camera, haven't you?
4. You weren't listening, were you?
5. Sue doesn't know Ann, does she?
6. Jack's on holiday, isn't he?
7. You play golf, don't you?
8. Ann's applied for the job, hasn't she?
9. You can speak German, can't you?
10. He won't mind if I use his phone, will he?
11. There are a lot of people here, aren't there?
12. I'm too impatient, aren't I?
13. Let's go out tonight, shall we?
14. This isn't very interesting, is it?
15. Listen, will you?
16. You'll help me, won't you?
17. Sally went to university, didn't she?
18. Don't drop that vase, will you?
19. Ann lives near you, doesn't she?
20. He'd never met her before, had he?
21. I shouldn't have lost my temper, should I?

No, he's never late.
 Yes, a little.
 Yes, why? Do you want it?
 Yes, I was!
 No, they've never met.
 Yes, he's in Portugal.
 Yes, once a week.
 Yes, but she won't get it.
 Yes, but not very fluently.
 No, of course he won't.
 Yes, more than I expected.
 Yes, you are sometimes.
 Yes, let's.
 No, not very.
 OK, I'm listening.
 Of course I will!
 Yes, she studied economics.
 No, don't worry.
 Right. In the same street.
 No, that was the first time.
 No, but never mind.

6. In these conversations, you are B. Read the information in brackets () and then answer with **I think so, I don't think so, I hope not, I'm afraid so**, etc...

1. (*You don't like rain.*) A: Is it going to rain? B: (hope) I hope not.
2. (*You need more money quickly.*) A: Do you think you'll get a pay rise soon? B: (hope) I hope so.
3. (*You think Diane will probably get the job that she applied for.*)
 A: I wonder if Diane will get the job. B: (expect) I expect so.
4. (*You're not sure if Jill is married – probably not*) A: Is Jill married? B: (think) I don't think so.
5. (*You are the receptionist at a hotel. The hotel is full.*)
 A: Have you got a room for tonight? B: (afraid) I'm afraid not.
6. (*You're at a party. You have to leave early.*)
 A: Do you have to leave already? B: (afraid) I'm afraid so.
7. (*Ann normally works every day, Monday to Friday. Tomorrow is Wednesday.*)
 A: Is Ann working tomorrow? B: (guess / suppose) I guess so. / I suppose so.
8. (*You're not sure what time the concert is – probably 7.30.*)
 A: Is the concert at 7.30? B: (think) I think so.

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1. **too** and **either** :
 « aussi » et « non plus »

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I'm happy.

I'm happy **too**.

I'm **not** happy.

I'm **not** happy **either**.

2. "Opposition":

I'm tired.

I'm not.

I don't work hard.

I do.