

## Tips for Writing Realistic Dialogue

- Make sure each character speaks in a way that makes sense for who they are. Moms should sound like moms. Teachers should sound like teachers. Kids should sound like kids.
- Include only the information characters would really say to each other. Don't pack dialogue with information for the readers. Use character's thinking or summary for that.
- Feel free to include speech tics when it makes sense to do so. The character might say "like" a lot, or talk using a lot of big words.