

Higher Level activity - "Mr Skip" by Michael Morpurgo - Chapter 2



ANSWERS

1. "I'm going to save you, Mr Skip," said Jackie. "I promise I will."

2. "Why do you need to borrow the paints, Jackie?" asked Miss Munroe.

3. "Ehh," Jackie stuttered, "they're for a project I'm working on at home."

4. "Mr Skip," Jackie exclaimed, "you look like a mini Father Christmas!"

5. "Barry, can I borrow your Liverpool hat please?" Jackie pleaded.

6. "What's that noise?" Jackie wondered. "Are you chuckling, Mr Skip?"

7. "We want to live in the country," explained Jackie, "and I'd have my own horse."

Now read through the following passage and ask yourself, "Which words are being spoken?" Then copy out this passage onto a separate page, adding speech marks, capital letters, full stops, commas, question marks, apostrophes, etc. as required. It would be a good idea to highlight the spoken words before you begin copying out the passage. Don't forget to take a new line whenever the speaker changes.

Sometimes you can swap a full stop for an exclamation mark!

"We would keep chickens and goats too," said Jackie, "and I could race through the countryside on my horse. Wouldn't that be wonderful?"

"Maybe I can help you with that, Jackie," replied Mr Skip. "One good turn deserves another. You've looked after me so I'll see to it that your dreams do come true."

Jackie was stunned. Mr Skip's lips hadn't moved but he was definitely speaking to her.

"But you can't say a word to anyone, Jackie," continued Mr Skip. "This is our secret. You never heard me."

Jackie couldn't speak. She simply shook her head in reply.

"And you don't need to worry, Jackie," continued Mr Skip. "I promise it will all be okay."