## **QUOTATION MARKS RULE!**

Read the rules for quotation marks below. Now pick a story of your choice and see if these rules can be followed. Write the number of times you spotted it in the space provided.

Put dialogues in quotation marks.

Example: Mom yelled, "Time to come inside and eat!"

Put all commas and periods that appear at the end of the quote inside the quotation marks, even if they are not part of the dialogue.

Example: "I hope we have eggs at home," I said. "It's my favorite."

Always use uppercase letters at the beginning of a new dialogue. Don't use uppercase if the dialogue is being continued. Dialogue tags are lowercase if they come after the quotation.

Example: "Let's eat dinner first," she said, "and then we can go to bed."

Use commas to separate the quotation from the dialogue tag, whether the dialogue tag comes before or after the quotation.

Example: I said to my mom, "Let's go camping!"