**Section 2 – Punctuating Quotes**

Add punctuation marks where you need them or correct ones that are incorrect. Mark OK if a sentence is correct as written. Be sure you know which rule you are using.

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2. The school attendance officer called the new plan, “a slick way to solve chronic tardies” and keep students in class.
3. “Please be sure to vote!” Student Council president Hallie O’Brian shouted into the megaphone.
4. “Why should we bother to vote,” the freshman girl asked?
5. For your literature class, did you choose to read “To Kill a Mockingbird” or “Lord of the Flies”?
6. I sent in my subscription to “The New York Times” and “The Washington Post.”
7. “The audience won’t stand for such wishy-washy content”. The editor told her staff.
8. “Although only 10 students entered the poetry contest,” the literary magazine editor said, “we think the quality is still excellent.”
9. “We hope the building will be finished in July.” The superintendent said.
10. “When we finished reading ‘Romeo and Juliet,’ all the girls in class were crying,” the freshman reported in disgust.

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1. “Let’s try to do better this season,” the coach said. (Comma inside closing quotes)
2. The school attendance officer called the new plan “a slick way to solve chronic tardies” and keep students in class. (No comma before a partial quote)
3. “Please be sure to vote!” Student Council president Hallie O’Brian shouted into the megaphone. (OK — if there’s an exclamation point, there’s no need for a comma.)
4. “Why should we bother to vote?” the freshman girl asked. (Question mark goes inside the closing quotes and a period at the end of the sentence after the attribution.)
5. For your literature class, did you choose to read “To Kill a Mockingbird” or “Lord of the Flies”? (OK — the book title doesn’t end in a question mark, but the sentence is a question.)
6. I sent in my subscription to the The New York Times and The Washington Post.(no quotes for newspaper titles)
7. “The audience won’t stand for such wishy-washy content,” the editor told her staff. (Comma inside the closing quote marks and no capital on the attribution)
8. “Although only 10 students entered the poetry contest,” the literary magazine editor said, “we think the quality is still excellent.” (OK — follows the rules for putting an attribution in the middle of the quoted sentence)
9. “We hope the building will be finished in July,” the superintendent said. (comma inside quotes for a declarative sentence and lower case the attribution -- unless it’s a proper noun)
10. “When we finished reading ‘Romeo and Juliet,’ all the girls in class were crying,” the freshman reported in disgust. (OK — single quotes go inside double quotes)