

# CHILDREN IN WAR UNIT

**Writing Dialogue:** Every time someone different speaks, start a new paragraph and note the punctuation used below:

## Example A

John hovered in the doorway, wondering if he needed to wait for a hostess or just sit down at the first table he could find. "Oh miss ... " he said, trying to catch the uniformed blonde's eye. She ignored him. "Oh miss ..." he tried again. "Yes!"

John fought back an urge to salute. "What is it?" she snapped, looking at his finger nails.

"I 'er, was wondering ... er, nothing. Sorry. I'll go somewhere else."

## Example B

"I'm sorry Ma'am, I don't have time to talk," said Judge Logan impatiently.

"But you must," said Grandma Clarissa pleadingly. She grabbed his arm and held him as forcefully as her eighty years would allow her.

"Please unhand me!" demanded Judge Logan.

"Not until you hear what I have to say," Grandma Clarissa stated steelily.

## Example C

"What is that?" She peered into the box, and screamed, "Oh, my God!"

## say words

"I'm leaving home," Ziggy...  
 announced  
 declared  
 exclaimed  
 proclaimed  
 pronounced  
 stated



"It's a lovely day," Kamal...  
 commented  
 mentioned  
 noted  
 observed  
 pointed out  
 reflected  
 remarked

"I'm innocent," Melissa...  
 affirmed  
 asserted  
 claimed  
 emphasized  
 insisted  
 maintained  
 professed  
 protested  
 stressed

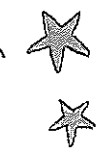
"I broke the window," Sam...  
 acknowledged  
 admitted  
 blurted out  
 confessed  
 confirmed  
 disclosed  
 divulged  
 revealed

"What are you doing?" Poppy...  
 asked  
 demanded  
 inquired  
 queried  
 questioned

"It's none of your business," Ben...  
 answered  
 rejoined  
 replied  
 responded  
 retorted



It's none of your business!



"I'm bored," Josh...  
 complained  
 drawled  
 groaned  
 grumbled  
 moaned  
 sighed  
 wailed  
 whined  
 whinged

"I can't find my kitten," Shama...  
 babbled  
 cried  
 gabbed  
 gasped  
 gulped  
 spluttered  
 stammered  
 stuttered  
 whimpered

"I'm sorry," Matt...  
 mumbled  
 murmured  
 muttered  
 whispered



"You look funny in that hat," Jemima...  
 chortled  
 chuckled  
 giggled  
 laughed  
 sneered  
 shiggered  
 tittered

Please may I go to the party?

Lopa pleaded

"Please may I go to the party?" Lopa...  
 begged  
 beseeched  
 entreated  
 implored  
 pleaded  
 wheedled



"Keep out of my room!" Edwin...  
 barked  
 bawled  
 bellowed  
 commanded  
 growled  
 ordered  
 roared  
 screamed  
 shouted  
 shrieked  
 snapped  
 snarled  
 yelled



Select any picture of children in a war situation and write some interesting dialogue.