What to do today

1. Listen to a song

- Read *King of Rome – Opening.*
- Where does the story start? When is it set? What can you say about Charlie Hudson? What do you think might happen?
- Listen to the song. Read the lyrics as you do. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=asbcMaegOT4

2. Remind yourself about direct speech

- Use the ***PowerPoint** on direct speech* or, if this is not possible, remind yourself using the *Revision Card*.
- Complete *King of Rome - Sentences***.**

3. Make a version of the story

- Watch the video again. How could you tell the story in six parts?
- Use words and pictures on *King of Rome***.** You could use speech-bubbles.

Well done. Show your story to a grown-up. Use the words and pictures to tell them the story. You can check your answers to *King of Rome – Sentences* at the end of this pack.

Try the Fun-Time Extras

- Watch this version of the song. Which of the two versions do you prefer? Why? https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6fL3E8FRxiw
- Find out some more about the true story of Charlie Hudson and the King of Rome. You could start with this website: http://www.derbyphotos.co.uk/features/kingofrome/

King of Rome – Opening

The King of Rome – in Derby museum.

In the West End of Derby lives a working man.

He says, "I can't fly but me pigeons can."

"And when I set them free

It's just like part of me

Gets lifted up on shining wings."

Charlie Hudson's pigeon loft was down the yard

Of a rented house in Brook Street where life was hard.

But Charlie had a dream

And in 1913

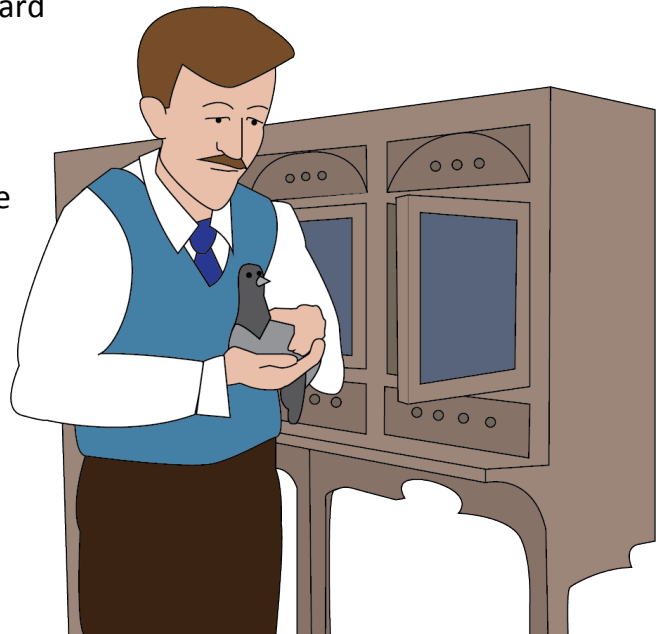Charlie bred a pigeon to make his dream come true.

by Dave Sudbury

King of Rome by Dave Sudbury - Lyrics

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There was gonna be a champions' race from Italy

We got out the maps, all that land and sea

"Charlie, you'll lose that bird"

But Charlie never heard

He put it in a basket and sent it off to Rome

On the day o' the big race a storm blew in

A thousand birds were swept away and never seen again

"Charlie we told you so

Surely by now you know

When you're living in the West End there ain't many dreams come true"

"Yeah, I know, but I had to try

A man can crawl around or he can learn to fly

And if you live 'round here

The ground seems awful near

Sometimes I need a lift from victory"

I was off with me mates for a pint or two

When I saw a wing flash up in the blue

"Charlie, it's the King of Rome

Come back to his West End home

Come outside quick, he's perched up on your roof"

"Come on down, your majesty

I knew you'd make it back to me

Come on down, you lovely one

You made me dream come true"

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Revision Card

Punctuating Speech – <u>capital letters</u> open direct speech

Direct speech begins with a <u>capital letter</u>, even if it is in the middle of a sentence.

Tom questioned, "All the way from Rome?"

Charlie answered, "It's a long way but he can do it."

It is the beginning of the speaker's sentence so a <u>capital letter</u> is used.

Punctuating Speech – a new line shows a change of speaker

"All the way to Rome?" asked the guard.

"That's right," answered Charlie.

"You know that's a long way?" teased the guard.

Charlie laughed, "It's an adventure!"

> We show each **change of speaker** by starting a new line.

> This makes it clear when the speaker changes.

Punctuating Speech – commas separate clauses

Direct speech and reporting clauses are usually separated by a comma.

"There's still no sign of him," sighed the boy.

Charlie whispered, "Come back. Please make it."

The comma is placed at the end of the first clause.
The speech marks follow the comma.

Punctuating Speech – exclamations and questions

If the speech ends in a ! or ? we do not need a comma after the speech.

"How did he do it?" everyone asked.

"Some kind of magic!" Charlie laughed.

The punctuation is placed inside the speech marks.
The punctuation belongs to the spoken words – they tell you how to say them.

King of Rome - Sentences

Add speech marks to these sentences. Add a reporting clause to 5-10.

1   Charlie always said, I can't fly but me pigeons can.

2   When I set them free, he explained, it's just like part of me gets lifted up on shining wings.

3   Charlie, you'll lose that bird, warned his friends when they heard about his plan.

4   When the pigeon didn't return, his friends chorused, Charlie, we told you so!

5   Surely by now you know when you're living in the West End, there ain't many dreams come true.

6   Yeah, I know but I had to try.

7   A man can crawl around or he can learn to fly.

8   And if you live 'round here the ground seems awful near.

9   Charlie, it's the King of Rome. Come outside quick, he's perched up on your roof.

10 Come on down, your majesty I knew you'd make it back to me.

11 Come on down, you lovely one. You made my dream come true…

Speakers:

5. Friends 6. Charlie 7. Charlie 8. Charlie 9. Friends 10. Charlie 11. Charlie

King of Rome - Story

King of Rome - Sentences - ANSWERS

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6-10 – Check you have speech marks around the speech, a comma after the first clause in the sentence and a reporting clause.