

INTERVIEW WITH RITA SKEETER

Your team's next challenge is an interview with Rita Skeeter, the infamous journalist at the *Daily Prophet*. She believes that she needs to embellish stories in order to attract readers, so her articles often contain specious content.

In order to prevent having Rita publish lies about your team, you want to plan carefully what you will tell her. To do that successfully, you'll need to observe some of Rita's other interviews. As you watch Rita talking to other teams, you see her Quick-Quotes Quill taking notes. The quill writes three-word phrases that are alliterative (each word starts with the same letter) and describe what it hears – but with one twist: one of the words the quill writes is the antonym of its meaning in the original statement. When one school's team tells Rita that they review their material regularly, the quill writes "students study sporadically." A new team, The Fire-Breathing Reptiles, says they are definitely entering the contest, and the quill writes "Dragons' debut doubtful."

Figure out what phrases will be written by the Quick-Quotes Quill for each of the following. Then read the highlighted letters to reveal the phrase you'll say to Rita. Your solution to this puzzle is what the Quick-Quotes Quill will write when it hears that phrase.

ANSWER: "CHARMS APPEAR WEAK" is written by the quill as: SPELLS SEEM STRONG

prince's mother slowly sews bed cover

Q U E E N Q U I C K L Y Q U I L T S

coward dislikes time off

H E R O H A T E S H O L I D A Y

pal lost pink bird

F R I E N D F O U N D F L A M I N G O

bunny sprints slowly

R A B B I T R U N S R A P I D L Y

eight-tentaced cephalopod closes microwave

O C T O P U S O P E N S O V E N

attorney departs early

L A W Y E R L E A V E S L A T E

young lady receives present

G I R L G I V E S G I F T

sky-colored cereal dish stays together

B L U E B O W L B R E A K S

smart spotted dog makes holes

D U M B D A L M A T I O N D I G S

lad finishes novel

B O Y B E G I N S B O O K