Punctuating Dialogue

A. Directions: Rewrite each sentence, using correct punctuation in the dialogue.

1. The author says, Things were starting to look up for me.
   The author says, “Things were starting to look up for me.”

2. She said, I have more than twenty cousins right in the neighborhood.
   She said, “I have more than twenty cousins right in the neighborhood.”

3. Ask yourself, How do these sentences enhance the memoir?
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4. Life was great, and then I turned eight, the author states.
   “Life was great, and then I turned eight,” the author states.

   “Are you scared?” I asked Nicky.

B. Directions: Write two sentences that include dialogue.

1. Example: “How long until we get there?” I asked.

2. Example: My dad said, “We can leave after you clean your room.”