

Now read this short extract from *Cyril and Pat* and try the activity below.

Extract 2

Cyril ran, out of the park

Into the city, into the dark.

All alone and scared. Poor Cyril.

'Not quite alone, you stupid squirrel.'

'And not so brave without that rat.'

'Ahem. Do you mean ME?' said Pat.

Lake Park still only has one squirrel-

But he is not alone. Now Cyril

Lives there with a large grey rat,

His brave and clever best friend, Pat.

Activity 2

There are three main characters in the story – Cyril the squirrel, Pat the rat and Slim the dog.

In the table below are some examples of what the characters might say.

Using what you know from extract 1 and extract 2, write the character's name next to what they might say.

You must use each character once: Cyril, Pat and Slim.

Example	Character
'Wow, I am so happy that I have a new friend at last! Who would have thought that my new best friend would be a rat?'	
'So, what do we have here? It looks like a small squirrel who has lost his pet rat!'	
'I'm so helpful and have just saved my friend's life!'	

Challenge: Can you write another speech sentence for each character?