Vocabulary 6
Say, tell, and *ask*

Complete the sentences with the correct form of *ask*, *say* or *tell*.

1 When fans _____ you for your autograph, it's difficult to _____ no.

2 The manager usually _____ us who will be in the team a few days before a match.

3 Reporters always _____ questions about your private life.

4 Last week, a TV interviewer _____ me about my children, but I _____ him I wouldn't talk about my family.

5 Some people _____ that sportspeople are paid too much, but we only have a very short career.

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Grammar 4
Reported statements

Complete the reported statements.

1 'The team played really well.'
The manager said that
_____ really well.

2 'I've trained hard and I'm confident of doing well.'
In an interview before the race, she said
_____ hard and
_____ confident of doing well.

3 'I'm really disappointed that we didn't win.'
He told reporters _____
really disappointed that
_____.

4 'Anderson isn't playing because he's injured his shoulder.'
The coach said that Anderson
_____ because
_____ his shoulder.

5 'It definitely wasn't a penalty!'
An angry fan complained that
_____ a penalty.

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