Reported Speech: Questions, Commands & Requests

A Read the direct and reported questions and underline the verbs in each.

1 'Which instrument do you like the best?' Jason asked me.
Jason asked me **which** instrument I liked the best.

2 'Did you enjoy the arts festival?' my friend asked me.
My friend asked me **if/whether** I had enjoyed the arts festival.

B Answer the questions a–c below.

a When a direct question has a question word, do we use it in the reported question? _____

b When a direct question doesn't have a question word, which words can we use in the reported question? _____

c Is the word order in the reported questions the same as the word order in the direct questions? _____

C Read the sentences and answer the questions below.

1 The museum employee told us not to touch the exhibits.
2 Our music teacher asked us to join the choir.

a Which sentence is an example of a reported request? ☐

b Which sentence is an example of a reported command? ☐

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D Change the direct speech into reported speech.

1 'Turn down the volume!' my sister told me.
My sister told me _____.

2 'Where is the concert hall?' the tourist asked.
The tourist asked _____.

3 'Do you like hip-hop music,' Maria asked.
Maria asked me _____.

4 'Don't play your drums all day!' Mum told me.
Mum told me _____.

5 'Do you like the film?' asked Melanie.
Melanie asked us _____.

6 'Please don't be late,' Aunt Judy said to us.
Aunt Judy asked us _____.

7 'Please sit down,' our teacher told us.
Our teacher asked us _____.

8 'Can you get me a ticket for the play, please?' my friend asked me.
My friend asked me _____.

E Change the reported speech into direct speech in your notebooks.

1 Joanna asked Harry if he liked the lyrics.
2 Grant told us that he had been chosen for the school band.
3 She asked her best friend to download some songs for her.
4 Brett asked me what type of music I was listening to.
5 Julia told her friend not to take a photo of her.

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