

# Reported Questions

1) Choose the correct option to complete each sentence.

- 1 We asked the teacher how much time *did we have / we had / we have* to finish the essay.
- 2 Fiona asked me why *hadn't I come / I hadn't come / I didn't come* to the meeting.
- 3 Sue asked Jack if *he was / he is / was he* going to install security cameras.
- 4 Sara wanted to know what time *are we leaving / we are leaving / we were leaving*.
- 5 The judge asked me if *I'm taking / were you taking / if I was taking* any drugs.
- 6 Diana wanted to know when *would we come / we would come / we will come*.

2) Rewrite the questions in reported speech.

- 1 'Did you see her last week?'

The police officer asked us \_\_\_\_\_

- 2 'Where have you been all day?'

Dad wanted to know \_\_\_\_\_

- 3 'What are you going to do?'

I asked my friend \_\_\_\_\_

- 4 'Will you be able to help us?'

They asked the lawyer \_\_\_\_\_

- 5 'Do you spend your nights here?'

The police officer asked the homeless man \_\_\_\_\_

- 6 'Can my car be repaired after such a crash?'

I asked the mechanic \_\_\_\_\_

- 7 'Why haven't you done your homework again?'

The teacher asked us \_\_\_\_\_

- 8 'Are you telling the whole truth?'

The school master asked me \_\_\_\_\_

3) Complete the indirect questions with the words below.

**if (x2) • could • were • had (x2) • whether • how • where • would • what • was**

- 1 My sister asked \_\_\_\_\_ she \_\_\_\_\_ borrow my tablet.

- 2 The teacher asked me \_\_\_\_\_ Luke \_\_\_\_\_ but I didn't know.

- 3 One of the teachers saw us in the staffroom and asked \_\_\_\_\_ we \_\_\_\_\_ doing there.

- 4 The victim wanted to know \_\_\_\_\_ the vandal \_\_\_\_\_ be punished.

- 5 He was practising the guitar when his father suddenly entered and asked him angrily \_\_\_\_\_ he really \_\_\_\_\_ to make so much noise.

- 6 The detective asked Archie \_\_\_\_\_ many shots he \_\_\_\_\_ heard that day.

4) Complete the dialogue with the correct phrases (a–h). There are two extra phrases.

- a if she had
- b how long it would take
- c when it had been
- d if she had ever been involved in
- e if we had been thinking
- f how many students were planning
- g what she thought
- h if there would be

Julia Did you talk to Lisa about our campaign?

Pete Yes, she fully supports it. I asked her <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ about cyberbullying and her opinion is the same as ours.

Julia Is she going to join us?

Pete She didn't know. I asked her <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ time to stay after school, but she couldn't say. She wanted to know <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, and <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to take part in the campaign.

Julia Did she ask anything else?

Pete Yes, she wanted to know <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ anything about the campaign in the school paper. I really hope she can make it. I asked her <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a similar protest ...

5) Rewrite the following sentences and questions in reported speech.

1 'We have improved the safety in our city.'

The mayor said \_\_\_\_\_

2 'Can you speak Spanish?'

I asked her \_\_\_\_\_

3 'We'll call you in for questioning next week.'

The FBI agent told the politician \_\_\_\_\_

4 'I didn't come to school last week because kids make fun of me.'

Kate told the teacher \_\_\_\_\_

5 'How long have you known her?'

The detective asked me \_\_\_\_\_

6 'My son isn't lying.'

The boy's father told the head teacher \_\_\_\_\_

7 'Who are you looking at?'

My friend asked me \_\_\_\_\_

8 'When will you arrest anyone?'

The reporter asked them \_\_\_\_\_

9 'I won't give you any names,' said the drug dealer.

The drug dealer refused \_\_\_\_\_

10 'Give us the password to your computer so that we can examine its content.'

The FBI agents instructed the businessman \_\_\_\_\_