

Reported Speech

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We can use other structures when we report offers, promises, requests, commands, suggestions, etc. - verb + infinitive with to <i>agree, offer, promise, refuse, threaten</i> <i>She offered to help with the cooking.</i> To make the infinitive negative, we add <i>not</i> before <i>to</i>. <i>I agreed not to tell anyone.</i> - verb + object + infinitive with to <i>advise, ask, beg, command, dare, encourage, forbid, instruct, invite, order, persuade, remind, request, tell, urge, warn</i> <i>I reminded them to invite Liam.</i>	- verb + -ing form <i>admit, deny, mention, propose, recommend, report, suggest</i> <i>She denied taking the money.</i> These verbs can also be used with a <i>that</i> clause. <i>He mentioned that he'd seen you earlier.</i> - verb + preposition + -ing form <i>admit to, apologise for, boast about, confess to, insist on</i> <i>They insisted on seeing the manager.</i> - verb + object + preposition + -ing form <i>accuse sb of, congratulate sb on, warn sb against</i> <i>He warned me against trusting Julie.</i>
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- verb + <i>that</i> + <i>should</i> clause / verb + <i>that</i> + subjunctive clause <i>advise, demand, insist, propose, recommend, request, suggest</i> <i>He recommended that we book the tickets soon.</i> - In formal English, we also occasionally use the subjunctive with these verbs. <i>He insisted that we leave at once.</i> <i>The head teacher proposed that all students be sent home early because of the storm.</i>	