

## Grammar

### Reported speech

- 1 Anita asked her friends what they thought about a television programme and wrote down what they told her. Write the words each person actually said.

For my English homework, I want to write about a television programme called *Life swap*. What do you think about it?



- 1 Lucy told me she would definitely watch the whole series.
- 2 Jessica said her whole family had watched it the day before and they had all liked it.
- 3 Harry said he had never seen it and he didn't want to.
- 4 Grace said she was going to watch it the following week.
- 5 Daniel told me he couldn't wait for the next episode because he was really enjoying it.
- 6 Charlie said he had only seen one episode and it had been a bit boring but he might watch it again.

- 1 Lucy: *'I'll definitely watch the whole series.'* .....
- 2 Jessica: .....  
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- 3 Harry: .....  
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- 4 Grace: .....  
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- 5 Daniel: .....  
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- 6 Charlie: .....  
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### Verb collocations with *ambition, career, experience* and *job*

- 2 **EP** Choose the correct word, A–D, for each gap.

- 1 Anna had a real talent for dance and eventually ..... *fulfilled* ..... her ambition to dance at the Lincoln Center in New York.  
A fulfilled B concluded C succeeded D convinced
- 2 If you ..... experience, you'll never get anywhere as a designer.  
A miss B abandon C lack D deny
- 3 Gerry was determined to ..... a career with animals and eventually he succeeded in setting up his own practice as a vet.  
A launch B pursue C realise D perform
- 4 If you want to ..... experience of working with children, you could do some babysitting for your cousins.  
A get B achieve C earn D make
- 5 I turned ..... a job in Thailand and I've regretted it ever since.  
A up B out C back D down

- 1 I had an invitation from Miranda to join her ice skating tomorrow.  
**GO**  
Miranda invited ..... ice skating with her and her friends the next day.
- 2 Lee told us he was sorry that he hadn't come to our party.  
**FOR**  
Lee apologised ..... to our party.
- 3 Alice told Tom she thought he had scratched the car.  
**OF**  
Alice accused ..... the car.
- 4 In the end I got my sister to agree that I could borrow her dress.  
**LEND**  
I finally persuaded ..... her dress.
- 5 I told the hotel receptionist that my room was too small.  
**ABOUT**  
I complained ..... too small to the hotel receptionist.
- 6 We were warned by the policeman about the traffic jam ahead.  
**THERE**  
The policeman warned ..... a traffic jam ahead.

## Reporting verbs

2 Match what the people said (A–G) with a reporting verb from the box.

admit announce complain inform  
promise recommend warn

A The bus leaves at two thirty.

.....inform.....

B The city centre can be dangerous at night.

.....warn.....

C This food tastes disgusting.

.....complain.....

D I will give the money back tomorrow.

.....promise.....

E I'm going to live in Brazil.

.....announce.....

F I told a lie.

.....admit.....

G You should watch the new James Bond film.

.....recommend.....

3 Now report what the people in Exercise 2 said.

1 The bus driver informed us that  
.....the bus left at two thirty.....

2 Filip complained that  
.....

3 Beatriz promised that  
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4 Paul announced that  
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5 Karima recommended that  
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6 Roberto warned that  
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7 Tereza admitted that  
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