

REPORTING VERB + ING

Admit – Deny – Accuse... of – Apologise for - Suggest

	Direct speech	Reported speech
admit*	He said, "Yes , I stole the necklace"	He admitted stealing the necklace
deny*	She said, "No, I didn't read your diary."	She denied reading my diary.
accuse sbd of	She said, "You started the fight"	She accused me of starting the fight
apologise for	He said, "I'm sorry I was so selfish".	He apologised for being so selfish.
suggest**	She said, "Let's go to the cinema"	She suggested going to the cinema

*-can also be used with "that"

(she admitted that she had stolen the necklace ; he denied that he had read my diary)

** - can also be used in other forms

Rewrite the sentences:

1. He said to me, "You told her your secret"
He **accused me of telling her my his secret**.
2. She told me, "I'm sorry I hurt your feelings".
She **apologised**
3. "I didn't do anything wrong!", I said
I **denied**
4. He told me, "Yes, I lied to you"
He **admitted**
5. They told us "We're so sorry we didn't come to your party".
They **apologised**
6. "You took my sweater without asking me!", she said.
She **accused me**
7. "I broke the window", she said.
She **admitted**
8. He said, "I didn't steal the money!"
He **denied**
9. Mary said "Why don't we go to the cinema tonight?"
Maria **suggested**
10. "You took my book without permission", Peter said to his little sister.
Peter **accused**