

G reported speech **V** say or tell? **P** vowel + double consonant

1 GRAMMAR reported speech

a Match the direct speech to the reported speech.

- 1 'I work hard.' e a Emma said that she had worked hard.
2 'I worked hard.' b Emma said that she could work hard.
3 'I'm working hard.' c Emma said that she would work hard.
4 'I can work hard.' d Emma said that she was working hard.
5 'I'll work hard.' e Emma said that she worked hard.

b Complete the reported speech.

Direct speech

- 1 'I want to leave my husband.'
- 2 'I don't like my wife's parents.'
- 3 'I'm getting divorced.'
- 4 'I've been to the hospital.'
- 5 'I haven't met my brother's girlfriend yet.'
- 6 'I saw James with another woman.'
- 7 'I can't cook.'
- 8 'I won't tell anyone.'
- 9 'I'll speak to my boss.'
- 10 'I have a lot of work to do.'

Reported speech

- Jane said that she *wanted to leave her husband*.
- Peter told me that he _____
- Katie told me that she _____
- Matt told me that he _____
- Susan said that she _____
- Robert said that he _____
- Lucy told me that she _____
- Martin said that he _____
- Katherine said that she _____
- My boyfriend told me that he _____

c Write the sentences in direct speech.

- 1 Alice said she was busy.
She said: 'I'm busy.'
- 2 Amelia said that she wanted a cup of coffee.
She said: '_____'
- 3 They told me that they hadn't seen their new neighbours yet.
They said: '_____'
- 4 Steve told me that he didn't want to go to the cinema.
He said: '_____'
- 5 Helen and Paul said they would come to the party.
They said: '_____'
- 6 Fabio said that he had broken his arm.
He said: '_____'
- 7 The guide told me that the building was very old.
She said: '_____'
- 8 My friends said that they couldn't help me.
They said: '_____'

2 VOCABULARY say or tell?

a Circle the correct word.



- 1 They said / told us that they were getting married next month.
- 2 Did Angela say / tell you that she wasn't happy?
- 3 Janet's husband said / told that he was working late.
- 4 You said / told that you didn't like men with beards.
- 5 I said / told you that I had a new girlfriend.
- 6 We said / told that we were going away this weekend.
- 7 Did Paul say / tell that he couldn't come tonight?
- 8 I said / told Mary that you were in a meeting.
- 9 The teacher said / told that we had to do exercise 5.
- 10 You didn't say / tell me that Mike had called this morning.

b Complete the sentences with *said* or *told*.

- 1 Lucy said that she'd been to a friend's house.
- 2 We _____ our parents that we wouldn't be home for lunch.
- 3 I _____ you that the man she was with wasn't her brother.
- 4 They _____ that they were going to Turkey this summer.
- 5 Jack _____ me that he didn't have a girlfriend.
- 6 You _____ that you weren't going out tonight.
- 7 James _____ that he was busy tonight.
- 8 I _____ that the film started at eight o'clock not seven o'clock.
- 9 We _____ our friends that we were going to get married.
- 10 Olivia _____ me that she'd seen Jack with another woman.

c Match 1–5 with a–e to make sentences.

- 1 My neighbour told _____ c
- 2 The teacher said that _____
- 3 My parents told _____
- 4 When I saw my friend, I told _____
- 5 My friend Sophie said that _____

- a her that she looked lovely in her new dress.
- b I needed to speak more in class.
- c me that he was going away for the weekend.
- d she hadn't enjoyed her holiday.
- e me that they'd always be there for me.

d Complete the sentences about things people have said to you recently, or that you have said to them. Use reported speech and *say* or *tell*.

- 1 My neighbour told me _____.
- 2 My teacher _____.
- 3 My parents _____.
- 4 When I saw my friend, I _____.
- 5 My friend _____.

3 PRONUNCIATION vowel + double consonant

a Look at the words in the square. Circle any three vowel sounds in a line that are the same. The lines can go across, down, or diagonally.

miss	bitten	middle	opposite	borrow
hurry	letter	written	little	gossip
happy	different	tennis	bottle	rubbish
egg	married	offer	leggings	funny
baggage	accident	rabbit	bigger	summer

b 12.2 Listen and check. Then listen again and repeat the words.