

### 3 Reporting words and thoughts

#### 1 Report the statements.

- 1 'I'll miss you very much,' he said to her.  
He told her he would miss her very much.
- 2 'I'm going to Berlin soon.'  
She said \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 'This film will be interesting.'  
I thought \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 'I can't help you because I have too much to do.'  
She said \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 'Daniel has bought the tickets.'  
I was told \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 'It's a stupid idea, and it won't work.'  
She thought \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 'We had terrible weather on holiday.'  
He complained \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 'We've never been to Croatia,' they said to me.  
They told \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 'But we want to go some day,' they said.  
They added that \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 2 Report the questions.

- 1 'What are you doing?'  
She asked me what I was doing.
- 2 'Do you want to go out for a walk?'  
She asked me if I wanted to go for a walk.
- 3 'Why are you crying?' he asked her.  
He wondered \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 'Can I borrow your car?'  
He asked me \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 'Where have you come from?'  
The customs officer asked me \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 'How long are you going to be at the gym?'  
She wanted to know \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 'Will you be back early?'  
She asked us \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 'When do you have to go to work?'  
She asked me \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 'How much does it cost to fly to New York?'  
She wanted to know \_\_\_\_\_.

### 4 Interview with a bank manager

#### 1 Write the bank manager's questions.



A Come and sit down, Mr Smith. Now, you want to borrow some money. (1) How much do you want to borrow?

B Five thousand pounds.

A (2) \_\_\_\_\_?

B Because I want to buy a car.

A I see. Could you give me some personal details?

(3) \_\_\_\_\_?

B I'm a graphic designer.

A And (4) \_\_\_\_\_?

B Thirty thousand pounds a year.

A (5) \_\_\_\_\_?

B Yes, I am. I've been married for six years.

A (6) \_\_\_\_\_?

B Yes, we've got two children.

A I see you live in a flat. (7) \_\_\_\_\_?

B We've lived there for three years.

A Well, that seems fine. I don't think there'll be any problems. (8) \_\_\_\_\_?

B I'd like it as soon as possible, actually.

A All right. Let's see what we can do.

## Vocabulary

### 7 Ways of speaking

Complete the conversation with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

say tell explain speak talk reply ask



I was walking in town the other day when I met old Mr Brown, so we stopped and (1) talked for a while. He (2) \_\_\_\_\_ me that his wife, Jenny, had been taken into hospital. I (3) \_\_\_\_\_ him how Jenny was, and he (4) \_\_\_\_\_ that she was getting better. I (5) \_\_\_\_\_ Mr Brown to give Jenny my regards. He wondered why I hadn't been to the tennis club recently, so I (6) \_\_\_\_\_ that I'd been very busy and just hadn't had time.

'There's something you must (7) \_\_\_\_\_ me,' Mr Brown suddenly said. 'How many languages does your son (8) \_\_\_\_\_?'

'Four,' I (9) \_\_\_\_\_. 'Why (10) \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_?'

'Well, I know your son has some very funny stories to (11) \_\_\_\_\_ about his trips abroad and his language learning. We're having a meeting of the Travellers' Club next week, and I'd like him to come along and (12) \_\_\_\_\_ to us.'

I (13) \_\_\_\_\_ that I would (14) \_\_\_\_\_ to my son about it, and I promised to get back in touch with him.

Then we (15) \_\_\_\_\_ goodbye and went our separate ways.

### 8 Other reporting verbs

Rewrite the sentences in reported speech using the verbs in the boxes. Use each verb once.

complain  
admit  
deny  
suggest  
explain  
that

refuse  
offer  
agree  
promise  
to do

1 'I think it would be a very good idea for you to go to bed,' the doctor said to Paul.

The doctor suggested that Paul went to bed.

2 'Yes, OK. I'll lend you £25,' Jo said to Matt.

\_\_\_\_\_

3 'Yes, it was me. I broke your camera,' said Harry.

\_\_\_\_\_

4 'I didn't pull her hair,' said Timmy.

\_\_\_\_\_

5 'I didn't do the homework because I was ill,' said the student.

\_\_\_\_\_

6 'If you tidy your room, I'll buy you a pizza!' said Jessica's dad.

\_\_\_\_\_

7 'Excuse me! There's a fly in my salad,' said Patrick.

\_\_\_\_\_

8 'I'm sorry. I can't marry you because I don't love you,' Sarah said to Adrian.

\_\_\_\_\_

9 'I'll cook supper if you like,' Amanda said to Duncan.

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