

REPORTED SPEECH

Exercise 1: Change the following sentences into reported speech.

1. The spokesman said: "I can't understand why billiards has been prohibited."

2. Michael wondered: "Why do I do this every day?"

3. The doctor asked: "Do you ever feel this pain in your stomach before meals?"

4. "I watched a documentary about dolphins on TV yesterday," said John.

5. He said: "We need someone who will realise that celibacy has to be a personal choice".

Exercise 2: Choose the correct answer.

- 1 "I get up every morning at seven o'clock", Peter said.
A) Peter said he got up every morning at seven o'clock.
B) Peter said I got up every morning at seven o'clock.
C) Peter said he had got up every morning at seven o'clock.
- 2 Tom said, "I want to visit my friends this weekend".
A) Tom said he wants to visit his friends that weekend.
B) Tom said he wanted to visit his friends that weekend.
C) Tom said he wanted to visit his friends this weekend.
- 3 She asked me, "When are we going to leave"?
A) She asked me when she was going to leave.
B) She asked me when we were going to leave.
C) She asked me when we are going to leave.
4. Peter said, "I may bring someone with me to the party".
A) Peter said he might bring someone with him to the party.
B) Peter said he bring someone with him to the party.
C) Peter said he might bring someone with her to the party.
5. Jerry said, "I'm studying English a lot at the moment"!
A) Jerry said he was studying English a lot at that moment.
B) Jerry said he was studying English a lot at the moment.
C) Jerry said I was studying English a lot at that moment.