8B GRAMMAR reporting verbs

a Complete each sentence with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

1 **A** Remind me *to book* a taxi to the airport. (**book**)
B We don't need one; Andy's offered _____ us a lift. (**give**)

2 **A** Hi, Tom. I'm surprised to see you here. I didn't think you liked opera.
B I don't, but Delia persuaded me _____ tonight. (**come**)

3 **A** Have the police found the men that robbed the supermarket?
B Apparently, they've arrested one man, but he denies _____ anything to do with it. (**have**)

4 **A** I've always regretted _____ to university. (**not go**)
B Well it's never too late. Why don't you apply?

5 **A** Have the kids been fighting again? Oliver's really upset, but he refuses _____ me why. (**tell**)
B Oh, Harry accused Oliver of _____ one of his toys, and now they aren't speaking to each other. (**break**)

6 **A** Where are you going on holiday this year?
B We haven't decided yet. Molly suggested _____ camping in Scotland, but I'm not very keen. I'd rather go somewhere warmer. (**go**)

7 **A** Someone broke into the car and stole my laptop while I was in the supermarket.
B I warned you _____ it in the car. Have you reported it to the police? (**not leave**)

8 **A** There's a funny smell in the kitchen.
B That's because your dad insisted on _____ curry for dinner and he burnt it. (**make**)

b Complete the sentences using the reporting verb in brackets and a verb from the list.

come ~~cook~~ eat forget keep lose tidy try

1 Adam *offered to cook* dinner for everyone. (**offer**)
2 Pablo _____ his room at the weekend. (**promise**)
3 Roger _____ for _____ my birthday. (**apologize**)
4 Bill _____ me _____ all my money in the bank. (**advise**)
5 Sofia _____ the new pizza place. (**suggest**)
6 Ruby _____ all the chocolates. (**admit**)
7 Mike _____ me _____ to the theatre with him. (**invite**)
8 Jamie _____ me for _____ the tickets, but I think he had them. (**blame**)

ACTIVATION

Think of a time when you…

- received some good advice.
- apologized to someone for something.
- offered to help someone.
- advised somebody to do (or not to do) something.
- were blamed for something you didn't do.
- regretted something you did / didn't do.

Make sentences using reported speech. Then compare your sentences with your partner.

My sister advised me to do a course to improve my computer skills.

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8B VOCABULARY The media

Read the definitions. Complete the column on the right.

1 A word which means when, e.g. a newspaper shows favour towards a certain group or opinion. B I A S E D

2 The title of a newspaper article, usually printed in big letters. ☐ E A ☐ ☐ I ☐ E

3 Not influenced by personal opinions or feeling. O ☐ ☐ E ☐ ☐ I ☐ E

4 Somebody who writes for a newspaper or magazine. ☐ O U ☐ ☐ A ☐ I ☐ ☐

5 Photographers who follow celebrities and sell the photos they've taken of them. ☐ A ☐ A ☐ A ☐ ☐ I

6 An adjective used to describe an article that tries to get your interest by presenting facts or events as worse or more shocking than they really are. S ☐ ☐ S ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

7 A type of journalist who sells work to different newspapers, but doesn't work for any particular one. ☐ ☐ E E ☐ A ☐ ☐ E

8 If a newspaper article is considered offensive or immoral it might get [redacted]. ☐ E ☐ ☐ O ☐ E ☐

9 This kind of journalist can help you with your problems if you write to her. A ☐ O ☐ ☐ A U ☐ ☐

10 An adjective used to describe a story which has the facts right. A ☐ ☐ U ☐ A ☐ E

11 A word used in headlines which means the same as an argument. ☐ O ☐

12 A word used in headlines which means the same as disagree. c ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

13 A journalist who expresses opinions about music, books, films, etc. ☐ ☐ I ☐ I ☐

14 A person who works on the radio and describes, e.g. a sporting event while it's happening. ☐ O ☐ ☐ E ☐ ☐ A ☐ O ☐

15 A person who works on TV and introduces a programme. ☐ ☐ E ☐ E ☐ ☐ E ☐

16 This person decides what goes into a newspaper and what shouldn't. E ☐ I ☐ O ☐

ACTIVATION

Test your partner. Student **A** read clues 1–8 and Student **B** (page face down) guess the words. Then change roles for 9–16.

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