REPORTED SPEECH

We use reported speech to tell people what somebody said in the past.

TENSE CHART	DIRECT SPEECH	INDIRECT SPEECH
Present Simple → Past simple	I **live** in the Usa.	He said he **lived** in the Usa.
Present continuous → Past continuous.	I **am walking.**	He said he **was walking.**
Past simple → Past perfect	I **cooked pizza.**	He said he **had cooked pizza**.
Past continuous → Past perfect continuous.	I **was watching TV.**	He said he **had been watching TV**
Present perfect → Past perfect	I **have worked.**	He said he **had worked.**
Present perfect cont→ Past perfect continuous	I **have been studying.**	He said he **had been studying.**
Past perfect –No change	I **had washed the car.**	He said he **had washed the car.**
Past perfect cont → No change	I **had been sleeping.**	He said he **had been sleeping.**

Modal verbs

WILL-WOULD
I will work -He said he would work.
CAN-COULD
I can sing -He said he could sing.
MUST-HAD TO
I must work -He said he had to work.
MAY-MIGHT
May I help you? -He asked if he might help me.
SHALL-SHOULD
What shall I do? -He asked what he should do.

Time references

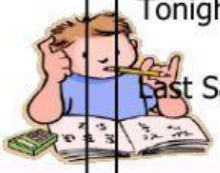
DIRECT SPEECH	INDIRECT SPEECH
Now	Then
Today	That day
Here	There
This	That
This week	That week
Tomorrow	The following/next day
Next week	The following/next week
Yesterday	The previous day The day before
Ago	Previously/before
Two days ago	Two days previously/before
Tonight	That night
Last Saturday	The previous Saturday The Saturday before
Next Saturday	The following Saturday The Saturday after

Careful→ tell and say

TELL + somebody
-Tina told me to phone her
-My sister told us to go with her.

SAY (that) clause / to sb

-He said (that) he was exhausted



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