

WHEN WE REPORT SOMEONE'S WORDS,  
WE CAN DO IT IN TWO WAYS:

## DIRECT SPEECH

DIANE SAID, "I AM HAPPY TODAY."

## REPORTED/INDIRECT SPEECH

DIANE SAID (THAT) SHE WAS HAPPY THAT DAY.

WHEN WE CHANGE DIRECT SPEECH TO REPORTED  
SPEECH, WE MUST OFTEN CHANGE THE TENSE.

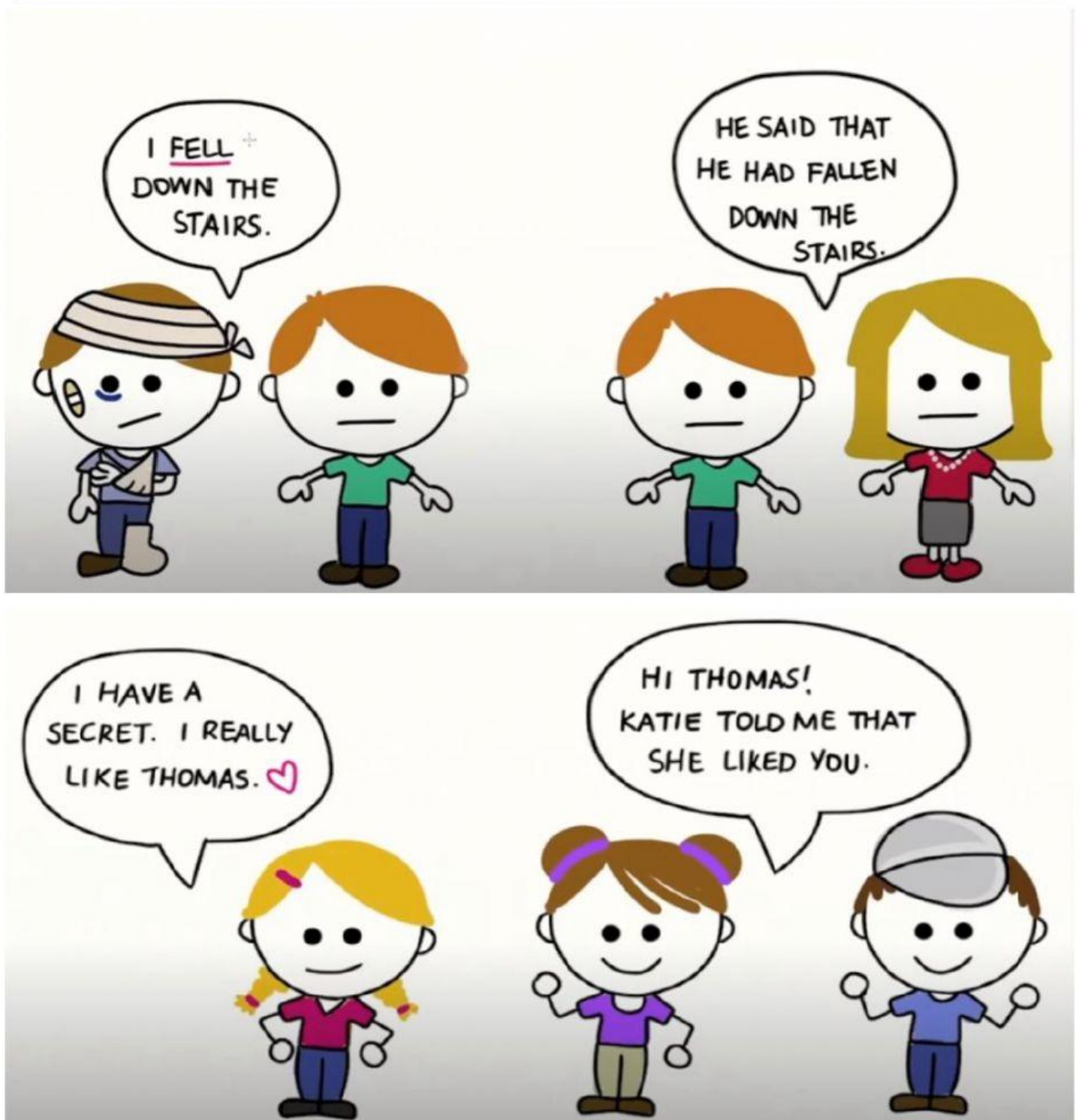
EX. SHE SAID, "I <sup>PRESENT</sup> AM TIRED." ← DIRECT SPEECH  
SHE SAID THAT SHE <sup>PAST</sup> WAS TIRED. ← REPORTED SPEECH

HE SAID, "I HAVE SEEN SNOW." ← DIRECT  
HE SAID THAT HE HAD SEEN SNOW. ← REPORTED



THE CHILDREN SAID, "WE ARE LISTENING." ← DIRECT

THE CHILDREN SAID THAT THEY WERE LISTENING. ← REPORTED



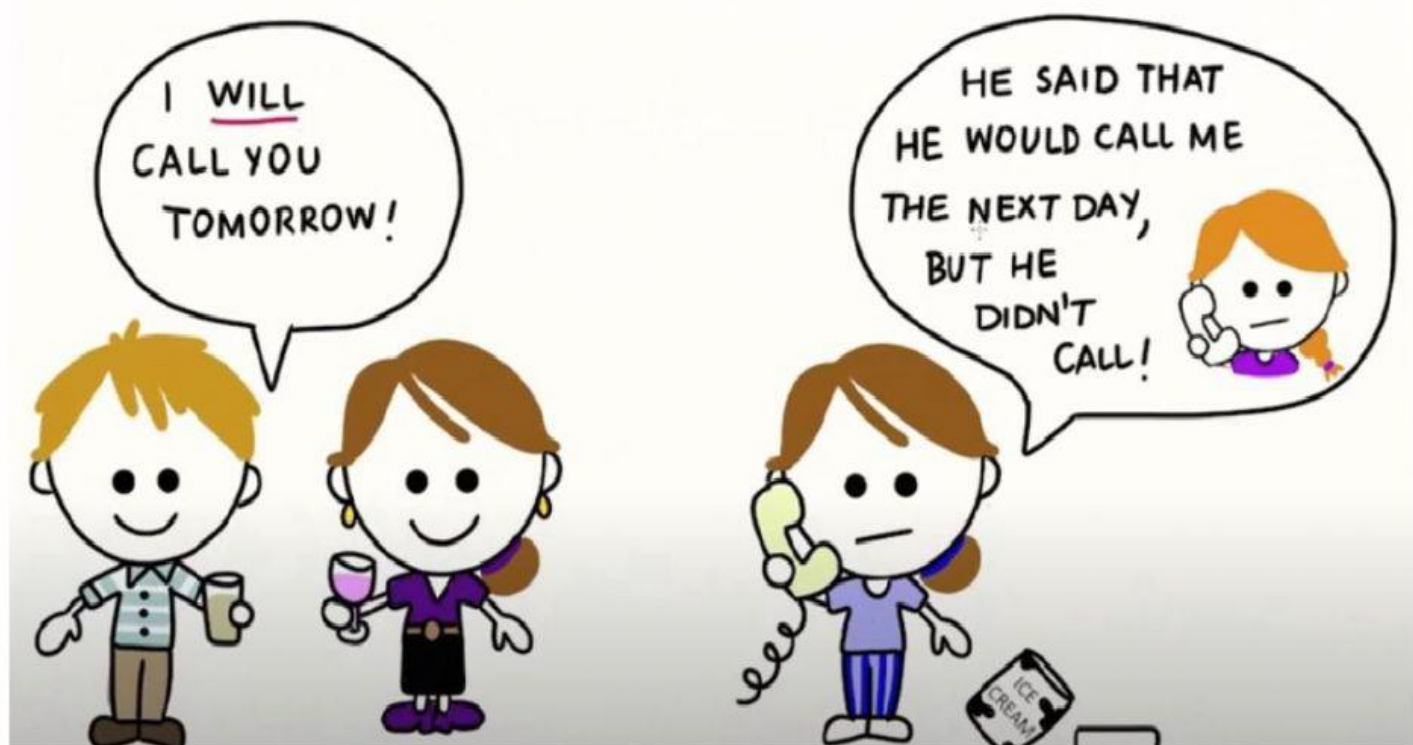
WHEN CHANGING DIRECT SPEECH TO  
REPORTED SPEECH, WE OFTEN NEED  
TO CHANGE THE TIME.

TOMORROW → THE NEXT DAY

NEXT (WEEK) → THE FOLLOWING (WEEK)

YESTERDAY → THE DAY BEFORE = THE  
PREVIOUS DAY

LAST (WEEK) → THE (WEEK) BEFORE = THE  
PREVIOUS (WEEK)





CAN YOU HELP ME  
CARRY MY GROCERIES?

YES/NO  
QUESTIONS



HE ASKED IF  
I COULD  
HELP HIM.

WE MUST  
ADD THE WORD  
"IF"