LET'S PRACTICE

Choose one of the options to complete sentences with correct forms.

"I wish you were with me."

Trevor said he wished .....

a) I was with him b) I had been with him

"While I was having dinner, the phone rang."

He told me that ..... the phone rang.

a) while he was having dinner b) while he had been having dinner

"Fiona started her project when she had raised enough funds."

I knew that ..... when she had raised enough funds.

a) Fiona started her project b) Fiona had started her project

"We used to work long hours."

She c aimed that ..... long hours.

a) they had used to work b) they used to work

"It is time we got up."

Sue suggested that it was time .....

a) we had got up b) we got up

"You must be tired after work."

He said that ..... after work.

a) I must be tired b) I had to be tired

"Sam may contact you."

My dad thought .....

a) Sam may contact me b) Sam might contact me

"I'm enjoying my holiday."

Carmen says that .....

a) she is enjoying her holiday b) she was enjoying her holiday

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Direct speech uses:

- speech marks
- the speaker's actual words
- new speaker, new line
- Narration about who said it can go **before, after** or **in amongst** the speaker's actual words.

Reported speech:

- doesn't use speech marks
- changes pronouns, and often also changes word order
- adjusts verb tenses (and time phrases if necessary)
- usually starts by telling you who spoke
- often uses "that…"

Now use these rules to turn the following short sentences into reported speech.

1. "I am going to ride my bike later," said Paul.

Paul said he _____

2. Katie announced, "My dog Lucy has just had puppies!"

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Sometimes you need to add a connective so that your reported speech makes sense:

3. "Make sure you put on suncream, Tim," said Mum, "it's a hot day."

Mum told Tim to _____

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