

## Reported Speech: Questions, Commands & Requests

**A** Read the direct and reported questions and underline the verbs in each.

- 1 'Which instrument do you like the best?' Jason asked me.  
Jason asked me which instrument I liked the best.
- 2 'Did you enjoy the arts festival?' my friend asked me.  
My friend asked me if/whether I had enjoyed the arts festival.

**B** Answer the questions a–c below.

- a When a direct question has a question word, do we use it in the reported question? \_\_\_\_\_
- b When a direct question doesn't have a question word, which words can we use in the reported question? \_\_\_\_\_
- c Is the word order in the reported questions the same as the word order in the direct questions? \_\_\_\_\_

**C** Read the sentences and answer the questions below.

- 1 The museum employee told us not to touch the exhibits.
- 2 Our music teacher asked us to join the choir.
  - a Which sentence is an example of a reported request?
  - b Which sentence is an example of a reported command?

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**D** Change the direct speech into reported speech.

- 1 'Turn down the volume!' my sister told me.  
My sister told me \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 'Where is the concert hall?' the tourist asked.  
The tourist asked \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 'Do you like hip-hop music,' Maria asked.  
Maria asked me \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 'Don't play your drums all day!' Mum told me.  
Mum told me \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 'Do you like the film?' asked Melanie.  
Melanie asked us \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 'Please don't be late,' Aunt Judy said to us.  
Aunt Judy asked us \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 'Please sit down,' our teacher told us.  
Our teacher asked us \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 'Can you get me a ticket for the play, please?' my friend asked me.  
My friend asked me \_\_\_\_\_

**E** Change the reported speech into direct speech in your notebooks.

- 1 Joanna asked Harry if he liked the lyrics.
- 2 Grant told us that he had been chosen for the school band.
- 3 She asked her best friend to download some songs for her.
- 4 Brett asked me what type of music I was listening to.
- 5 Julia told her friend not to take a photo of her.