

REPORTED SPEECH - STATEMENTS

Task 1. Put in “SAID” or “TOLD”.

- 1) Julie _____ that she would join us after work.
- 2) She _____ me that she was going running this evening.
- 3) John _____ us that he couldn't come to the party.
- 4) John _____ that he had been to the cinema at the weekend.
- 5) She _____ them she wanted to quit.
- 6) David _____ that he was going to arrive at eight.
- 7) They _____ that they didn't want to meet us on Tuesday.
- 8) I _____ him I wasn't impressed.
- 9) Lucy _____ Julie that she was leaving on Wednesday.
- 10) We _____ that we were going on holiday the following week.
- 11) Jack _____ my mother he would be in Spain this week.
- 12) I _____ that I hated mushrooms.
- 13) She _____ she loved chocolate.
- 14) They _____ they were meeting Luke today.
- 15) They _____ us they were going to the museum this afternoon.
- 16) He _____ he wouldn't start without us.
- 17) I _____ them I'd bring pudding.
- 18) Jonathan _____ it would rain today.
- 19) They _____ us that it was fine to come late.
- 20) The boss _____ me that I should do some more work on this report.

Task 2. Change these sentences into reported speech.

a. “I have something to show you”, I said to her.

I said to her that _____

b. “I'm going away tomorrow”, he said.

He said that _____

c. “I've been in London for a month but I haven't had time to visit the Tower”, said Rupert.

Rupert said that _____

d. “I'll come with you as soon as I'm ready”, she replied.

She replied that _____

e. "We have a lift but very often it doesn't work", they said.

They said that _____

f. "I found an old Roman coin in the garden yesterday and I am going to take it to the museum this afternoon", he said.

He said _____

Task 3. Change these sentences into reported speech

a. "I'll see you tomorrow", she said.

She said that _____

b. "I saw her today", he said.

He said that _____

c. "I don't like this film", she said.

She said that _____

d. She said, "We went swimming today."

She said that _____

e. "I met her about three months ago", he said.

He said that _____

f. "I'll see Mary on Sunday", she said.

She said that _____

g. "Pete and Sue are getting married tomorrow", she said.

She said that _____

h. "Stephen's bringing some records to the party tomorrow", she said.

She said that _____

i. "I really like this furniture", she said.

She said that _____

j. "My parents are arriving tomorrow", she said.

She said that _____

k. "We visited her this morning" they said.

They said that _____

Task 4. Report this sentence correctly.

1. 'I can swim really fast.'

He said that he could swim really fast.

He told that he could swim really fast.

He said me that he could swim really fast.

2. 'There was an accident outside the supermarket'.

He said there were an accident outside the supermarket.

He said there had been an accident outside the supermarket.

He said there has been an accident outside the supermarket.

3. Tom said 'I'm going to London tomorrow.'

Tom said he is going to London the following day.

Tom said he was going to London the following day.

Tom said he was going to London tomorrow.

4. Which sentence is NOT correct?

James said he will help me.

Karen said she was going to be late.

Lisa said she didn't have a map.

5. Maria apologised for not coming to my birthday party today. She said she had been busy ____.

that day

the following day

previous day