

Reported speech

MARK THE BEST REPORTED SPEECH EQUIVALENT TO EACH
DIRECT SPEECH SENTENCE

It is raining very heavily.

Shaun said it rained very heavily.

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Shaun said it was raining very heavily.

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1 I'll give you a call later tonight.

Jan said she would give me a call later that evening.

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Jan said she gave me a call later that evening.

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2 I'm seeing my grandma later today.

Benedict said he saw his grandma later that day.

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Benedict said he was seeing his grandma later that day.

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3 I arrived at the hotel hours ago.

George told me he'd arrived at the hotel hours earlier.

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George told me he would arrive at the hotel hours later.

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4 We're going to the movies to see the new thriller.

Matt and Mabel said they had gone to the movies to see a thriller.

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Matt and Mabel said they were going to the movies to see a thriller.

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5 I can't afford to come on vacation with you this summer.

Danny said he didn't afford to come on vacation with us this summer.

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Danny said he couldn't afford to come on vacation with us this summer.

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6 Your new dress looks great.

Gemma told me that my new dress looks great.

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Gemma told me that my new dress had looked great.

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7 I'll give the camera back to you tomorrow.

Katie said she had given the camera back to me the next day.

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Katie said she'd give the camera back to me the next day.

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MATCH THE PICTURES TO THE CORRECT SENTENCES



Malcolm told Mel that he works in a salon.

George and Tamsin told me they go on vacation a lot.

Archie told me that his car had broken down.

Betty said she'd seen a wolf in the woods last year.

REWRITE THE SENTENCES, CORRECTING THE ERRORS

Christopher told me that he **will** call me yesterday.

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① Cath told me she **has** posted the letter a few days ago.



② The weather forecast said it **is** going to be sunny yesterday.



③ Angela told me she **was** already mowed the lawn.



④ Miles told us that the company **is** losing money before it went bankrupt.



⑤ In February, Lisa told me that she **has** had a great idea for a vacation.



⑥ Emil said he **will** visit me in Japan that summer.



MATCH THE DIRECT SPEECH SENTENCES TO THE CORRECT REPORTED SPEECH

An engineer will come to your house tomorrow.

The shop assistant told me they didn't have a shirt in my size.

1 We're going to the zoo on Thursday.

They told me an engineer would come to my house the following day.

2 We don't have a shirt in your size, sorry.

The manager said the hotel was fully booked in July.

3 I don't want to go to the party tonight.

Harry told me they were going to the zoo on Thursday.

4 I'm afraid the hotel's fully booked in July.

Michelle said she didn't want to go to the party last night.

5 I worked on a farm when I was a student.

Billy's mom said he would pass all his exams.

6 Billy will pass all his exams this summer.

She said that she lives in a house near the bus station.

7 I'm writing a novel set in Ancient Rome.

Jenny told me that she'd worked on a farm when she was a student.

8 I live in a house near the bus station.

Carlo said he was going to buy a new car that afternoon.

9 I'm going to buy a new car this afternoon.

Robert told me he was writing a novel set in Ancient Rome.