

UNIT 8 - REPORTED SPEECH

I - Fill the words in the blank

1. We do not use _____ marks in Reported Speech.
2. We use a reporting verb (say, tell, explain...) followed by a that _____ to report statements.
3. There are no changes in the verb tense in Reported speech when the direct sentence expresses a general _____, conditional type 2 or type 3, or a wish.
4. In reported speech, the verb tense will change from present continuous to _____.
5. In reported speech, the verb tense will change from _____ to past perfect continuous.
6. We use ``Ask + if/ whether when the direct question is a yes/ no question`` to report a question.
7. We use ``Ask + wh-word (who, what, etc) when the direct question begins with such a wh-word`` to report a question.
8. Fill the words in the table

Direct Speech	Reported speech
Tonight	
Two days	
tomorrow	
Next week	
yesterday	
Last month	
This	
here	
come	
These	

II - Rewrite each sentence as direct speech

1. Pauline told the children their swimming things were not there.

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2. "I'll see you in the morning, Helen"

→ Peter told Helen

3. Bill told Stephen he hadn't been at home that morning.

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4. "Are you enjoying your flight?"

→ The stewardess asked me

5. "The parcel ought to be here by the end of next week."

→ Brian said

6. "I think it's going to rain tonight."

→ William said

7. Tim told Ron he was leaving that afternoon.

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8. "Why did you apply for this job?" asked the sales manager.

→ The sales manager asked me

9. "The trousers have to be ready this afternoon."

→ Paul told the dry-cleaners

10. Graham told Ian he would see him the following day.

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III - Put a form of either say, tell or ask in each space

1. When Ihim what he was doing there, he.....me it was none of my business.

2. I you that you had to be on time. Why are you late?

3. What did Carol.....you about her holiday?

4. I think that Alan.....us a lie about his qualifications.

5. Did you hear what Sheila.....about her new job?

IV - Put a form of one of the verbs listed into the space in each sentence

Accuse, agree, decide, insist, refuse, admit, apologize, deny, offer, remind, advise, confess, doubt, promise, suggest

a. "No, it's not true, I didn't steal the money!"

→ Jean denied stealing the money/ that she had stolen the money.

b. "Why don't we go to the cinema this evening?"

→ Petergoing to the cinema/ that they went to the cinema.

c. "Yes, of course. I'll give you a lift, Helen"

→ Liz.....to give Helen a lift/ that she would give Helen a lift.

d. "I've broken your pen. I am awfully sorry, Jack."

David.....for breaking Jack's pen.

e. "Don't forget to post my letter, will you, Sue?"

→ Diana.....Sue to post her letter.

f. "Let me carry your suitcase, John"

→ Harry.....to carry John's suitcase.

g. "All right, it's true, I was nervous."

→ This leading actor.....to being nervous/ that he had been nervous.

h. "I don't think Liverpool will win"

Vanessa.....whether Liverpool would win.

i. "If I were you, Bill, I'd buy a mountain bike."

→ StephenBill to buy a mountain bike.

j. "Don't worry, Martin, I'll bring your book back."

→ Leslie.....to bring Martin's book back/ Martin he would bring his book back.

k. "You murdered Lord Digby, didn't you, Colin!"

→ The inspector.....Colin of murdering Lord Dirby.

l. "No, no, you really must have another drink!"

→ Dick.....on my having another drink/ that I should have another drink.

m. "It was me who stole the money," said Jim

→ Jim.....to stealing the money.

n. "Right. I'll take the brown pair."

→ Andrewto take the brown pair.

o. "No, sorry, I don't want to lend you my camera."

→ Alexto lend me his camera.