

Grammar

1 Complete the second sentence in each pair with the correct form of the verb in reported speech.

1 "My students enjoy playing sport," said the teacher.

The teacher said that his students playing sport.

2 "The taxi is waiting for you outside," my sister said.

My sister said that the taxi for me outside.

3 "Let's rest here for a while," Stephen suggested.

Stephen suggested there for a while.

4 "Listen to me," said my mother.

My mother told me to her.

5 "I've been training for the marathon all week," James explained.

James explained that he for the marathon all week.

6 "The match will begin tomorrow at 2.00," the coach told us.

The coach told us that the match the next day at 2.00.

2 Rewrite the sentences in reported speech. Make any necessary changes.

1 "I may join the swimming team next year," said Carl.

Carl declared that he

2 "I must go to football practice this afternoon," I told my friend.

I told my friend that I

3 "We haven't eaten anything," the children complained.

The children complained that

4 "A criminal escaped from prison last night," the police officer announced.

The police officer announced that a criminal

5 "Don't come late for the exam tomorrow," the teacher warned us.

The teacher warned us

3 Rewrite the questions in reported speech.

1 "Is it very cold outside?" I asked my mother.

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2 "Where did you buy this coat?" Tracy wanted to know.

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3 "Can you lend me some money?" my friend asked me.

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4 "How often do you go to the gym?" Jill wondered.

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5 "Have you ever tried playing beach volleyball?" Jack asked Linda.

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6 "Are you coming to watch the match tonight?" Philip asked me.

4 Complete the sentences with the correct verbs and reported speech. Make any necessary changes.

1 "I forgot to return the balls after the game yesterday," Matt said.

Matt **complained / admitted**

2 "Do you take part in triathlons?" my friend asked me.

My friend **wondered / explained**

3 "I'll come to the match tonight," said Cindy.

Cindy **promised / ordered**

4 "Don't forget to buy a present for mum," my brother said.

My brother **suggested / reminded**

5 "I've been waiting here for over two hours!" said Whitney.

Whitney **declared / complained**

6 "There's going to be an English exam next week," the teacher said.

The teacher **ordered / announced**