Reported Speech- Practice 1

1.Turn the following sentences into Reported Speech.

1 'I can't meet you because I'm working.'

2 'It doesn't matter because I must do some work anyway.'

3 'You've always been kind to me.'

4 'We're going to help you.'

5 'I won't go out with her if she doesn't like my friends.'

3.Report the following questions.

1 'Do you think you'll get married?'
2 'How did your parents first meet?'
3 'Are you doing anything at the weekend?'
4 'Who would you most like to meet?'
5 'Will you marry me, Susan?'
6 'Have you seen any good films recently?'
7 'Where did you go for your last holiday?'

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5.Report the dialogue by using different reporting verbs.

'Where are you going, Chino?' asked Anita. 'You've caused enough trouble already. Why don't you go home?'
'It's none of your business what I'm doing,' said Chino. 'Don't interfere. Your friend caused the problem and I'm going to finish it.'
'Please listen, Chino,' said Anita. 'Let's make peace. We can't carry on like this.'
Chino replied, 'I've made my decision and nobody will stop me.'

2. Read the article. Then complete the report.

Super-honest adverts are becoming popular. In one I saw recently, one woman said, 'I've tried dating once or twice but it didn't work.' She also said, 'I should exercise but prefer eating.'

In another advert a man called Frank described himself as 'a lazy animal who has a shower once a week whether I need it or not.' 'I can't believe that nobody wants me,' he continues. Apparently, though, ten people have replied to Frank's advert. He is getting in touch with all of them and will be dating some of them in the next few weeks.

I read an article a while ago about 'super-honest' romantic advertisements, which the writer said (1) ... popular. In one, a woman said that she (2) ... dating but that it (3) ... . She also said that she (4) ... exercise more but preferred eating. Cool! In another honest advert a man said he only (5) ... a shower once a week but (6) ... believe that nobody (7) ... . Some people had contacted him though, and he said that he (8) ... getting in touch and (9) ... some of them in the next few weeks.

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4.Report by using different reporting verbs.

1 'You shouldn't argue.'
2 'Stop texting my boyfriend.'
3 'Don't mention it to John.'
4 'Why don't we go out?'
5 'Go to see that new film.'
6 'Take a few tissues with you.'

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