REPORTED SPEECH

Listening activity

You are going to hear a radio interview. Rachel, a reporter in the studio, is talking to a man called James Baker, who is sailing in a round-the-world yacht race.

Later, Rachel tells a colleague about the conversation. Read what Rache says, then listen and fill in the gaps with James`s actual words.

1 Rachel: James told me he was about 100 kilometres off the coast of Australia.
James: 'I 'm _____ about 100 kilometres off the coast of Australia.'

2 Rachel: He said he hadn't seen another boat for a few days.
James: 'I _____ another boat for a few days.'

3 Rachel: He said he thought he might win.
James: 'I _____ win.'

4 Rachel: He said there had been a terrible storm.
James: 'There _____ a terrible storm.'

5 Rachel: He said he hadn't slept for three days.
James: 'I _____ for three days.'

6 Rachel: He told me the sea was calm, the sun was shining.
James: 'The sea _____ calm, the sun _____.'

7 Rachel: He said that he could sometimes see sharks and dolphins swimming.
James: 'I _____ sometimes see sharks and dolphins swimming.'

8 Rachel: He said he would spend two hours in a hot bath.
James: 'I _____ two hours in a hot bath.'

9 Rachel: He said he had to get his hair cut.
James: 'I _____ my hair cut.'

Complete the questions that Rachel asked. Then listen again to check.

1 I asked him where he was. 'Where _____?'

2 I asked him if he thought he was going to win. 'Do you _____ to win?'

3 I asked him what the weather was like. 'What _____ like?'

4 I asked him if he could see dolphins there. '_____ dolphins there?'

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