



Let's Practice before Testing

REPORTED SPEECH

Name: _____

PLACE & TIME

Direct Speech	Reported Speech
today	that day
now	then / at the moment
yesterday	the day before
... days ago	... days before
Student	the week before
next year	the following year
tomorrow	the next day the following day
here	there
this	that
these	those
ago	previously / before
tonight	that night

Subjective case	Objective case	Possessive case.
I	Me	My, mine
We	us	Our, ours
you	you	Your, yours
He	Him	His, his
She	her	Her, hers
It	it	its
them	-	Their/theirs

TENSE CHANGE

Direct Speech	Reported Speech
will	would
can	could
must / have to	must or had to
may / might	might
should	should
ought to	ought to

Aside from Verb Tenses, what are the **shifts** to keep in mind in reported speech?

Direct	Indirect
This	That
These	those
Now	Then
yesterday	The day before
Tomorrow	The next/following day
Two weeks ago,	Two weeks before
Here	There

Verb tense	Direct speech	Verb tense	Indirect speech
present simple	'I am exhausted.'	past simple	He said (that) he was exhausted.
present continuous	'I m studying.'	past continuous	She told me (that) she was studying .
past simple	'I loved the concert.'	past perfect	He told me (that) he had loved the concert.
present perfect	'I have never been to Rome.'	past perfect	She said (that) she'd never been to Rome.
will	'I will help you.'	would	He said (that) he would help me.
must	'You must pay attention.'	had to	She told me (that) I had to pay attention.
can	'You can stay with me.'	could	She said (that) I could stay with her.
may	'I may arrive late.'	might	He told me (that) he might arrive late.
could, might, should	'I should help Tom.'	could, might, should	She said (that) she should help Tom.

1. The boy asked the tour guide, "Where is the main tourist office?"
The boy asked the tour guide _____.
2. The police officer said, "Get out of the car!"
The police officer ordered the boys _____.
3. The woman asked, "How long have you worked as a tour guide?"
The woman wanted to know _____.
4. He said, "Come to me!"
He told me _____.
5. I asked the waiter, "When is dinner served?"
I asked the waiter _____.
6. The old lady asked the policeman, "Is there a shopping centre nearby?"
The old lady wanted to know _____.
7. Dad asked, "Did you find my glasses?"
Dad asked me _____.
8. He said to his son, "Don't be afraid!"
He told his son _____.
9. Dad advised us, "You should always wear a helmet when you ride a bike!"
Dad advised us _____.
10. The biologist wondered, "What kind of marine animals are there in the park?"
The biologist wondered _____.
11. The journalist asked, "Have you published any interesting stories yet?"

1. She said, "I can get home on my own".
She said that _____.
2. They said, "We haven't been to an art gallery for ages".
They said that _____.
3. The police asked me, "When did you leave the house this morning?"
The police asked me _____.
4. He said, "I'll think about it."
He said that _____.
5. Mary said, "I should have phoned my mother".
Mary said that _____.
6. The doctor told me, "You should cut down on your smoking."
The doctor told me _____.
7. He asked me, "Do you understand all the rules?"
He asked me _____.
8. She asked me, "When will I see you again?"
She asked me _____.
9. My parents said, "We are going on holiday tomorrow."
My parents said that _____.
10. She said, "Wait until I get back!"
She told him _____.

