

REPORTED SPEECH

<u>SIMPLE PRESENT</u> He said, "I like her."	➔	<u>SIMPLE PAST</u> He said (that) he liked her.
<u>SIMPLE PAST</u> She said, "I went to Paris."	➔	<u>PAST PERFECT</u> She said (that) she had gone to Paris.
<u>PRESENT CONTINUOUS</u> He said, "I am writing a book."	➔	<u>PAST CONTINUOUS</u> He said (that) he was writing a book.
<u>PAST CONTINUOUS</u> She said, "I was waiting for him."	➔	<u>PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS</u> She said (that) she had been waiting for him.
<u>WILL</u> He said, "I will open the door."	➔	<u>WOULD</u> He said (that) he would open the door.
<u>MUST</u> She said, "I must work hard."	➔	<u>HAD TO</u> She said (that) she had to work hard.

1 Look at the direct speech and complete the reported speech.

- 1 'I'm not having a good evening.' Sara said she _____.
- 2 'I heard the new Katy Perry song.' Simon said he _____.
- 3 'My parents aren't at home.' Liam said his parents _____.
- 4 'I'm going to bed.' Cathy said she _____.
- 5 'The concert starts at five.' Rick said the concert _____.

2 There is one mistake in each reported statement. Circle the mistake and correct it in one word.

- 1 'I'm staying in a hotel tonight.'
He said he was staying in a hotel the night. _____
- 2 'There is a lot of crime in the area.'
Mel said there had been a lot of crime in the area. _____
- 3 'My brother visited last week.'
Gary said his brother had visited the week ago. _____
- 4 'Reece is meeting us outside the cinema.'
The girls said that Reece was meeting us outside the cinema. _____
- 5 'I don't want to watch this crime documentary.'
Jenny said she didn't want to watch this crime documentary. _____

3 Complete the sentences using a different form of the words in brackets.

1 There is often a lot of _____ (loot) after a natural disaster, like an earthquake.

2 The _____ (murder) will spend the rest of his life in prison.

3 A man tried to _____ (robber) the bank on Baker Street this afternoon.

4 There are too many drug _____ (deal) on Stapleton Road.

5 Ellen called the police when a _____ (shoplift) tried to take something from her shop.

4 Complete the sentences with the words below. There is one extra word.

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1 A detective is going to _____ the suspect about the crime.

2 The police appealed for _____ to come forward.

3 We're going to _____ this area until we find the victim's wallet.

4 There have been a lot of burglaries in this street, but the police hope to identify the _____ soon.

5 After a long investigation, the police made _____ early this morning.