

### 3 Reporting words and thoughts

#### 1 Report the statements.

- 1 'I'll miss you very much,' he said to her.  
He told her he would miss her very much.
- 2 'I'm going to Berlin soon.'  
She said \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 'This film will be interesting.'  
I thought \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 'I can't help you because I have too much to do.'  
She said \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 'Daniel has bought the tickets.'  
I was told \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 'It's a stupid idea, and it won't work.'  
She thought \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 'We had terrible weather on holiday.'  
He complained \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 'We've never been to Croatia,' they said to me.  
They told \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 'But we want to go some day,' they said.  
They added that \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 2 Report the questions.

- 1 'What are you doing?'  
She asked me what I was doing.
- 2 'Do you want to go out for a walk?'  
She asked me if I wanted to go for a walk.
- 3 'Why are you crying?' he asked her.  
He wondered \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 'Can I borrow your car?'  
He asked me \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 'Where have you come from?'  
The customs officer asked me \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 'How long are you going to be at the gym?'  
She wanted to know \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 'Will you be back early?'  
She asked us \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 'When do you have to go to work?'  
She asked me \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 'How much does it cost to fly to New York?'  
She wanted to know \_\_\_\_\_.

### 4 Interview with a bank manager

#### 1 Write the bank manager's questions.



- A Come and sit down, Mr Smith. Now, you want to borrow some money. (1) How much do you want to borrow?
- B Five thousand pounds.
- A (2) \_\_\_\_\_?
- B Because I want to buy a car.
- A I see. Could you give me some personal details?
- (3) \_\_\_\_\_?
- B I'm a graphic designer.
- A And (4) \_\_\_\_\_?
- B Thirty thousand pounds a year.
- A (5) \_\_\_\_\_?
- B Yes, I am. I've been married for six years.
- A (6) \_\_\_\_\_?
- B Yes, we've got two children.
- A I see you live in a flat. (7) \_\_\_\_\_?
- \_\_\_\_\_?
- B We've lived there for three years.
- A Well, that seems fine. I don't think there'll be any problems. (8) \_\_\_\_\_?
- B I'd like it as soon as possible, actually.
- A All right. Let's see what we can do.

## Vocabulary

### 7 Ways of speaking

Complete the conversation with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

say   tell   explain   speak   talk   reply   ask



I was walking in town the other day when I met old Mr Brown, so we stopped and (1) talked for a while. He (2) \_\_\_\_\_ me that his wife, Jenny, had been taken into hospital. I (3) \_\_\_\_\_ him how Jenny was, and he (4) \_\_\_\_\_ that she was getting better. I (5) \_\_\_\_\_ Mr Brown to give Jenny my regards. He wondered why I hadn't been to the tennis club recently, so I (6) \_\_\_\_\_ that I'd been very busy and just hadn't had time.

'There's something you must (7) \_\_\_\_\_ me,' Mr Brown suddenly said. 'How many languages does your son (8) \_\_\_\_\_?'

'Four,' I (9) \_\_\_\_\_. 'Why (10) \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_?'

'Well, I know your son has some very funny stories to (11) \_\_\_\_\_ about his trips abroad and his language learning. We're having a meeting of the Travellers' Club next week, and I'd like him to come along and (12) \_\_\_\_\_ to us.'

I (13) \_\_\_\_\_ that I would (14) \_\_\_\_\_ to my son about it, and I promised to get back in touch with him.

Then we (15) \_\_\_\_\_ goodbye and went our separate ways.

### 8 Other reporting verbs

Rewrite the sentences in reported speech using the verbs in the boxes. Use each verb once.

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| complain<br>admit<br>deny<br>suggest<br>explain | that | refuse<br>offer<br>agree<br>promise | to do |
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1 'I think it would be a very good idea for you to go to bed,' the doctor said to Paul.

The doctor suggested that Paul went to bed.

2 'Yes, OK. I'll lend you £25,' Jo said to Matt.

3 'Yes, it was me. I broke your camera,' said Harry.

4 'I didn't pull her hair,' said Timmy.

5 'I didn't do the homework because I was ill,' said the student.

6 'If you tidy your room, I'll buy you a pizza!' said Jessica's dad.

7 'Excuse me! There's a fly in my salad,' said Patrick.

8 'I'm sorry. I can't marry you because I don't love you,' Sarah said to Adrian.

9 'I'll cook supper if you like,' Amanda said to Duncan.