

REPORTED SPEECH

Exercise 1: Change the following sentences into reported speech.

1. The spokesman said: "I can't understand why billiards has been prohibited."

2. Michael wondered: "Why do I do this every day?"

3. The doctor asked: "Do you ever feel this pain in your stomach before meals?"

4. "I watched a documentary about dolphins on TV yesterday," said John.

5. He said: "We need someone who will realise that celibacy has to be a personal choice".

Exercise 2: Choose the correct answer.

1 "I get up every morning at seven o'clock", Peter said.

- A) Peter said he got up every morning at seven o'clock.
- B) Peter said I got up every morning at seven o'clock.
- C) Peter said he had got up every morning at seven o'clock.

2 Tom said, "I want to visit my friends this weekend".

- A) Tom said he wants to visit his friends that weekend.
- B) Tom said he wanted to visit his friends that weekend.
- C) Tom said he wanted to visit his friends this weekend.

3 She asked me, "When are we going to leave"?

- A) She asked me when she was going to leave.
- B) She asked me when we were going to leave.
- C) She asked me when we are going to leave.

4. Peter said, "I may bring someone with me to the party".

- A) Peter said he might bring someone with him to the party.
- B) Peter said he bring someone with him to the party.
- C) Peter said he might bring someone with her to the party.

5. Jerry said, "I'm studying English a lot at the moment"!

- A) Jerry said he was studying English a lot at that moment.
- B) Jerry said he was studying English a lot at the moment.
- C) Jerry said I was studying English a lot at that moment.