

Let's have a closer look at...

2. Verb Tense

Direct speech	Reported speech
present simple	past simple
'He likes his drone,' she said.	She said (that) he his drone.
present continuous	past continuous
'He is flying his new drone,' she said.	She said (that) he his new drone.
present perfect simple	past perfect simple
'They have bought a new remote control,' she said.	She said (that) they a new remote control.
present perfect continuous	past perfect continuous
'They have been recording all day,' she said.	She said (that) they all day.
past simple	past perfect simple
'He broke his drone,' she said.	She said (that) he his drone.
past continuous	past perfect continuous
'He was flying it too high,' she said.	She said (that) he it too high.

can	could
'Rosa can help you,' Kia said.	Kia said (that) Rosa help me.
may	might
'He may not have the right qualifications,' she said.	She said (that) he not have the right qualifications.
must	had to
'You must arrive earlier than normal,' she said.	She said (that) I arrive earlier than normal.
will	would
'The wind will be strong,' she said.	She said (that) the wind be strong.

