Fill in the gaps with the correct *pronouns or possessive adjectives.*

1 Mary said, 'I want to go out with my friends.'
Mary said (that) ...*she*... wanted to go out with ...*her*... friends.

2 Tom said, 'I have lost my keys.'
Tom said (that) ..... had lost ..... keys.

3 Bob and Marie said, 'We are taking our dog for a walk.'
Bob and Marie said (that) ..... were taking ..... dog for a walk.

4 Andrew said, 'My sister is coming to visit me next week.'
Andrew said (that) ..... sister was going to visit ..... the following week.

5 Mr Jones said, 'I need to buy a present for my wife.'
Mr Jones said (that) ..... needed to buy a present for ..... wife.

6 Father said, 'I want you to wash my car for me.'
Father said (that) ..... wanted ..... to wash ..... car for ..... .

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Turn from *direct* into *reported* speech.

1 'I can't find my bag,' she said.
She said (that) she couldn't find her bag.

2 'They are working in the garden,' he said.
.....

3 'We got married six months ago,' she said to us.
.....

4 'I'll go shopping tomorrow,' he said.
.....

5 'I bought a new car last week,' he said.
.....

6 'We aren't doing anything next week,' they said.

7 'I can't go out tonight,' she said to me.
.....

8 'I forgot to pay the bill,' he said.
.....

9 'We've brought you a present,' she said to me.
.....

10 'I'll phone you tomorrow,' she said to Peter.
.....

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Turn the questions from *direct* into *reported speech*.

1 'How old are you?' he asked me.
He asked me how old I was.

2 'When will you call me?' she asked George.
.....

3 She asked, 'Can you play the piano?'
.....

4 He asked, 'Who's there?'
.....

5 'Do you like fish?' she asked Jonathan.
.....

6 'What have you done today?' Mother asked.
.....

7 Jim asked, 'Did you go to work yesterday?'
.....

8 'How did you get here?' he asked.
.....

9 'Have you seen my blue jacket anywhere?' she asked.
.....

10 He asked, 'Will you take me to work tomorrow?'
.....

11 She asked, 'Where have you been?'
.....

12 She asked, 'Will they visit us in the summer?'
.....

LIVEWORKSHEETS

***There has been a fire in a busy area of your town.* Read the reporter's questions and turn them into *reported speech*.**

1 'How did the fire start?'
The reporter asked *how the fire had started.*

2 'Who called the fire brigade?'
The reporter wanted to know .....

3 'Did you ask people to leave the building?'
The reporter asked .....

4 'Was anybody injured?'
The reporter wanted to know .....

5 'How many fire-fighters are here now?'
The reporter asked .....

6 'Have any of the houses been damaged?'
The reporter wanted to know .....

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Fill in the gaps with the verbs in the list in the correct form.

order, tell, ask, beg, suggest

1 'Let's call Brian,' Susan said to me.
Susan ...*suggested*... calling Brian.

2 'Don't make any noise,' Mother said to us.
Mother ..... us not to make any noise.

3 'Please stay a little longer,' Kate said to her sister.
Kate ..... her sister to stay a little longer.

4 'Fire!' the General said to the soldiers.
The General ..... the soldiers to fire.

5 'Please, please forgive me,' she said to him.
She ..... him to forgive her.

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Turn the following sentences into *reported speech*.

1 Be careful of the glass! *The fire-fighter told them to be careful of the glass.*
2 Stand back! .....
3 Bring the light nearer! .....
4 Pass me an axe! .....
5 Go to the other side of the plane! .....

Turn from *direct* into *reported speech*.

1 Mary said to me, 'Come with me, please.'
Mary asked me to go with her.
2 The shop assistant said to the child, 'Don't touch anything.'
.....
3 The secretary said to me, 'Wait here, please.'
.....
4 She said, 'Shall we go swimming?'
.....
5 The park keeper said to them, 'Don't walk on the grass.'
.....
6 He said to them, 'Don't stay out late tonight.'
.....
7 Annie said to Barry, 'Please, please help me.'
.....

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Choose an introductory verb and turn the following from *direct* into *reported* speech.

advised, asked, ordered, warned, promised, begged, offered, refused, suggested

1 'I think you should eat more vegetables,' my mother said to me.
My mother advised me to eat more vegetables.

2 'Please get me a glass of water,' he said to Jill.
.....

3 'No, I won't help you,' she said to Jim.
.....

4 'I'll buy you something nice for your birthday,' her mother said to her.
.....

5 'Don't play near the road because it's dangerous,' he said to us.
.....

6 'Would you like me to do the shopping?' she said.
.....

7 'Please, please don't leave me alone in the dark,' she said to her parents.
.....

8 'How about going to the cinema tonight?' he said.
.....

9 'Go to bed! ... Now!' his father said to him.
.....

10 'Shall we watch a video?' they said.
.....

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Turn the following sentences from *reported* into *direct speech*.

1 Trevor asked me if I had posted the letter.
'Did you post the letter?' Trevor asked me.

2 Sarah told me she was looking for a new job.

.....

3 Brian wanted to know what time the train to Leeds left.

.....

4 She said that she didn't like jogging.

.....

5 He said he would be back the following day.

.....

6 He asked how much my new car had cost.

.....

7 I asked Marie if she could do the shopping for me.

.....

8 Jill asked Roy to close the window.

.....

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Turn from *direct* into *reported speech* or vice versa.

1 'I've finished the housework,' she said.
She said (that) she had finished the housework.

2 'Why did you do that?' he asked her.
.....

3 Susie told her mother that *Titanic* was the best film she had ever seen.
.....

4 He told them to put the rubbish in the bin.
.....

5 'Please answer the telephone,' he said to her.
.....

6 Alex said that they were going to Hawaii for their honeymoon.

7 'Are you going out on Saturday night?' Ben asked me.
.....

8 Adam said that he had never ridden a horse before.
.....

9 'We'll go to the circus tomorrow,' said Mother.
.....

10 Mr Carter told them to pick up the paper from the floor.
.....

11 Julia begged her parents to let her go to the party.
.....

12 Greg said, 'Let's have a party on my birthday.'
.....

LIVEWORKSHEETS