

### **"Voices Behind the Camera"**

Yesterday, an interview was filmed with Sofia Campos, a young film director. She said she was excited about her new science fiction movie. She explained that the story was inspired by a dream. She also mentioned that the actors had worked very hard and that filming finished last week. The producer told reporters that the editing process would take two more months. A famous critic said the trailer looked amazing and that the movie could become a hit. Everyone on the team said they believed in the project.

#### **? Comprehension Questions (10 minutes)**

##### **A. Answer the Questions**

1. Who was interviewed?

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2. What did she say about her movie?

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3. What inspired the story?

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4. What did the producer say about editing?

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5. What did the critic think of the trailer?

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##### **B. True or False**

1. Sofia Campos is an actress. **True / False**
2. She said the story was based on a dream. **True / False**
3. The producer said the movie was already edited. **True / False**
4. The critic said the trailer looked great. **True / False**
5. The actors didn't work very hard. **True / False**

## 💬 Vocabulary Activity – Match the Meaning

Words/Phrases: Meanings:

1. Inspired by	a) A very successful movie
2. Director	b) Trusted or had confidence in
3. Critic	c) Person in charge of filming
4. Editing	d) Person who reviews movies
5. Hit	e) Motivated or influenced by
6. Believed in	f) The process of cutting and arranging video

## 📝 Grammar Focus – Reported Speech

### ◆ Reported Statements – Tense Shift Rules

#### Direct Speech

“I am happy.”

She said she **was** happy.

“We finished the film.”

He said they **had finished** the film.

“They will edit the video.”

She said they **would edit** the video.

“I love sci-fi movies.”

He said he **loved** sci-fi movies.

#### Reported Speech

**Reporting verbs:** said, told, explained, mentioned, added

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## 📝 Grammar Practice

### A. Complete the reported speech:

1. “I’m working on a short film.” → She said she \_\_\_\_\_ on a short film.
2. “We shot it in one day.” → He said they \_\_\_\_\_ it in one day.
3. “I will send the trailer tomorrow.” → She said she \_\_\_\_\_ send the trailer tomorrow.
4. “I like horror movies.” → He said he \_\_\_\_\_ horror movies.

5. "The actors are very professional." → She said the actors \_\_\_\_\_ very professional.
6. "We finished editing yesterday." → He said they \_\_\_\_\_ editing yesterday.
7. "This is my favorite project." → She said it \_\_\_\_\_ her favorite project.
8. "We need more time." → They said they \_\_\_\_\_ more time.
9. "The movie will be ready next week." → He said the movie \_\_\_\_\_ be ready next week.
10. "The music is original." → She said the music \_\_\_\_\_ original.

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#### B. Rewrite the Direct Speech (10 sentences)

1. "The director is very talented."  
→ She said \_\_\_\_\_.
2. "I watched the final cut."  
→ He said \_\_\_\_\_.
3. "We will meet the actors later."  
→ She said \_\_\_\_\_.
4. "They love the new location."  
→ He said \_\_\_\_\_.
5. "I am writing the next scene."  
→ She said \_\_\_\_\_.
6. "The light wasn't good."  
→ He said \_\_\_\_\_.

7. "We will do a new take."

→ They said \_\_\_\_\_.

8. "The sound is perfect."

→ He said \_\_\_\_\_.

9. "We had some problems with the set."

→ She said \_\_\_\_\_.

10. "I want to make a documentary."

→ She said \_\_\_\_\_.