

Reported statements



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Direct speech	Reported speech
present simple	¹ <i>past simple</i>
past simple	²
present perfect	³
present continuous	⁴
<i>will</i>	⁵
<i>can</i>	⁶



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- 1 My sister said she went to a really interesting music festival last year.
- 2 George told me that he had some new tracks for me to listen to.
- 3 I told everyone that I had a spare ticket for the concert.
- 4 Sally said that she couldn't go to the campsite because she didn't have a tent.
- 5 Laura told us to meet her in front of the stage.
- 6 I said I didn't know who the support act was.



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- 1 Ashraf said that he was in a café.
'I'm in a café.'
- 2 He told me that he was having lunch.
'I'm having lunch.'
- 3 He said he wanted to meet me.
'I want to meet you.'
- 4 He said that he had been in the café for an hour.
'I've been here for an hour.'
- 5 He told me he would leave in about 30 minutes.
'I'll be leaving in 30 minutes.'
- 6 He told me to come quickly.
'Come here quickly.'

ME

ASHRAF

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I went to the café to meet Ashraf.
He said that he ¹ was happy to

He said that he ¹ was happy to see me and that he ² had some exciting news. He told me that he ³ was of going to a festival in the summer, and then he told me that he ⁴ asked me to go with him. I said that I ⁵ was sure, and I asked where the festival was and how much it was. Ashraf said that it ⁶ was far away, in the countryside, and the tickets ⁷ were about £30.

He said that he ⁸ _____ there before and that he
⁹ _____ a great time. He also said that we ¹⁰ _____
in a tent, so it ¹¹ _____ very expensive. I said that I
¹² _____ about it.

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I was talking to Mum yesterday. She told me ...