

Reported Speech – Statements

We use reported speech to say what another person said.

- **Direct speech** = exact words
- **Reported speech** = we explain what the person said
 - **Direct Speech:** She said: "I am tired."
 - **Reported Speech:** She said (that) she was tired.

We usually change: Pronouns/Verb tense/Time expressions

Reported Speech



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Reported Speech: Statements

He is tired.

→

He said (that)
he was tired.

TIP: You can use "that" or leave it out. It's optional!

Basic Tenses

PS	Present Simple	→	I like pizza. → am/is/are	→	She said (that) she liked pizza.
PS	Past Simple	→	I liked the movie.	→	He said (that) he had liked the movie.
PC	Past Continuous	→	I was studying. → was/were + verb (-ing)	→	She said (that) she had been studying.
PP	Present Perfect	→	I have seen the show.	→	He said (that) he had seen the show.
F	Future	→	I will call you. → will	→	She said (that) she would call me.
M	Modal	→	I can/will/may swim. → could/might	→	He said (that) he could/would/might swim.

Other Changes

Direct	Reported
today	that day
now	then
tomorrow	the next day
yesterday	the day before
here	there

Exercise 1 – Choose the correct option

- She said she _____ tired.
is
was
were
- He said he _____ finished the work.
has
had
have
- They said they _____ go to the party.
will
would
can

Exercise 2 – Rewrite in Reported Speech

She said: "I like chocolate." → She said _____

He said: "I am watching TV." → He said _____

They said: "We went to the concert." → They said _____

She said: "I have done my homework." → She said _____

He said: "I will help you." → He said _____

She said: "I can drive." → She said _____

Exercise 3 – Correct the mistake

She said she is tired. _____

He said he will call me. _____

They said they go to school. _____

She said she can swim yesterday. _____

