



## GRAMMAR QUIZ 1

### UNIT 5: NATURAL DISASTERS

**A. Change each direct speech statement to indirect speech. Answer with lower case letters and do not put a period at the end.**

1. Martin told Odette, "Read this article in the newspaper."

**Martin told Odette to read this article in the newspaper** \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Paul said, "Ella, call your parents after dinner."

**Paul told Ella** \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Gina's friends said, "Check the weather online."

**Gina's friends told her** \_\_\_\_\_.

4. The girls' parents said, "Girls, don't get up too late Friday morning."

**Their parents told the girls** \_\_\_\_\_.

5. Mr. Wade said, "Students, study the verb tenses for the test on Friday."

**Mr. Wade told the students** \_\_\_\_\_.

6. Dan's wife said, "Be sure to be home before dinner."

**Dan's wife asked him** \_\_\_\_\_.

7. My friends said, "Meet us at the mall after the movie."

**My friends asked me** \_\_\_\_\_.

8. Lisa told Allen, "Don't forget to invite your sister to the party."

**Lisa told Allen** \_\_\_\_\_.

**B. Complete each indirect speech statement with the correct pronouns.**

1. **Stan:** Paula, please call me tomorrow when you get up. Stan asked Paula to call \_\_\_\_\_ her \_\_\_\_\_ when \_\_\_\_\_ she \_\_\_\_\_ gets up.

2. **Ms. Rand:** Michael, give me the newspaper when you finish reading it.

**Ms. Rand asked Michael to give \_\_\_\_\_ the newspaper when \_\_\_\_\_ finishes reading it.**

3. **Jack's parents:** Jack, please come with us when we go to the meeting.

**Jack's parents asked \_\_\_\_\_ to come with \_\_\_\_\_ when \_\_\_\_\_ go to the meeting.**



**C. Write the statements as direct speech. Use quotation marks. Use quotation marks, capital letters and period when necessary.**

1. We told them to take heavy sweaters on the hike.

**“Take heavy sweaters on the hike.”**

2. Kayla asked Seth to pick up some groceries on the way home.

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3. Michael told his friends to take the bus to the game.

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4. Ms. Miller asked Stan to call his office when he gets home.

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**D. Choose the correct verb.**

1. We (told / said) our classmates to be on time for the meeting.
2. No one (said / told) us what had happened.
3. When I arrived at the school, they (said / told) me the air conditioning wasn't working.
4. The newspaper article (said / told) there was a flu epidemic in several southern states of the U.S.
5. My friend from Mexico called and (said / told) us there had been a landslide in the town next to hers.
6. It (says / tells) that a lot of trees fell down in the hurricane.
7. They (said / told) the class that a typhoon and a hurricane are the same kind of storm.

**E. Correct the errors in the statements. Rewrite the sentence, start with capital letter and finish with a period. Use that.**

1. The newspaper told that there was a terrible storm.

**The newspaper said that there had been a terrible storm.**

2. My friend Anna said me that she was sick today.

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3. I told I will go there next week.

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4. She said him the earthquake had hit early in the day.

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5. The weather report told the weather would be better tomorrow.

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**F. Write the original direct quote. Use quotation marks, and period at the end.**

1. They said a lot of people had died in the flood.

**“A lot of people died in the flood.”**

2. My friends told me the tornado had hit before they came home.

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3. Karen said the 2003 drought had been one of the worst droughts in history.

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4. The National News said thousands had died of hunger in the famine.

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**G. Change each statement from direct speech to indirect speech. Change the verb tense.**

1. I said, “It hasn’t stopped raining yet.”

**I said that it hadn’t stopped raining yet.**

2. My friends in Panama told me, “The weather last week was terrible.”

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3. Susan said, “I’ll bring food to your house for dinner.”

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4. Laura's children told her, "We can't take the school bus this morning."

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5. He said, "I was here all last night."

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6. People said, "This was the worst blizzard in 100 years."

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7. The owner of the store told me, "The rug comes from Pakistan."

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8. Our history professor, Mr. Green, called and said, "The hurricane damaged my parents' house, and I can't come to class today."

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9. After the tornado warning, most people said, "We stayed in our basements for more than an hour."

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