

# Reported Speech

Statements, questions and commands

## Key Word Transformation

1. "Can my son try out this skateboard?" Adam asked the shopkeeper. **COULD**  
Adam asked the shopkeeper \_\_\_\_\_ out the skateboard.

2. "Leave me alone," Tony said to us. **TOLD**  
Tony \_\_\_\_\_ alone.

3. "I rang you last night, Julie," said Brian. **RUNG**  
Brian explained to Julie that he \_\_\_\_\_ night.

4. "Are you working today, Peter?" she asked. **WHETHER**  
She wanted to know \_\_\_\_\_ day.

5. "You should stay in the shade and wear a hat, Mrs Bent," said the doctor.  
**TO**  
The doctor \_\_\_\_\_ in the shade and wear a hat.

6. "Don't open your present until your birthday," Carol told Sue. **NOT**  
Carol told Sue \_\_\_\_\_ until her birthday.

7. 'Will you be here later?' **WOULD**  
She asked me \_\_\_\_\_ later.

8. 'When did you realise you were a good writer?' **WAS**  
She wanted to know when \_\_\_\_\_ a good writer.

9. 'How much time do you have for reading?' **HAD**  
He asked \_\_\_\_\_ for reading.

10. "I haven't heard from Helen for a long time," Pail said to me. **TOLD**  
Paul \_\_\_\_\_ not heard from Helen for a long time.

11. "Did you book a room with a balcony?" I asked my mother. **IF**  
I asked my mother \_\_\_\_\_ a room with a balcony.

12. "Are we meeting David in the morning or in the afternoon?" Karen asked.  
**WHETHER**  
Karen wondered \_\_\_\_\_ in the morning or in the afternoon.

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13. Tom's mum said he should have some food before going to football practice .  
**SOMETHING**

Tom's mum told him to \_\_\_\_\_ eat before going to football practice.

14. Do you know when the match starts, Saly?" asked Mary. **IF**  
Mary asked Sally \_\_\_\_\_ time the match started.

15. "Don't touch the plate, it's too hot," the waitress said to me. **NOT**  
The waitress \_\_\_\_\_ the plate because it was very hot.

16. 'I didn't like this TV series.' **LIKED**  
Jack said that \_\_\_\_\_ TV series.

17. 'Have you seen my new paperback?' **IF**  
He wanted to know \_\_\_\_\_ new paperback.

18. 'We might leave tomorrow.' **FOLLOWING**  
They said we \_\_\_\_\_.

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FINISHED PLEASE CHECK:

- that you wrote between 2 and 5 words
- that you have included the word in bold

