

Unit 7 Reported speech

direct speech	reported speech
Present simple → Past simple	
Dinah "I'm thirsty."	Dinah said she was thirsty.
Fred "We want to go home."	Fred said they wanted to go home.
Present continuous → Past continuous	
Jack "I'm going to the park."	Jack said he was going to the park.
Pam "We're eating our lunch."	Pam said they were eating their lunch.

1 Complete the sentences. Change the tense and the pronouns.

- Neil** "I like my picnic lunch." Neil said he liked his picnic lunch.
- Harry** "I'm playing my computer game." Harry said _____
- Alice** "I am tired!" Alice said _____
- Emma** "We're going to the beach." Emma said _____

said / told

Jane **said** she was leaving. Jane **told** us she was leaving.

2 Complete the sentences with *said* or *told*.

- Mum _____ she needed some help in the kitchen.
- Ben _____ us he was moving house.
- Amy and Joy _____ they were going to the swimming pool.
- Katy _____ her mum she was ill.

Reported speech: time markers

direct speech	reported speech
tonight, today	that night, that day
this week / month / year	that week / month / year
now	then
tomorrow	the next day
next week / month / year	the next week / month / year

3 Report what the people said.

- "I'm going to the cinema tonight." Fran said she was going to the cinema that night.
- "It's my birthday today." Joe said _____
- "We're having our lunch now." The girls said _____
- "My dad's buying a new car next week." Pete said _____