

Reported Speech

Direct speech

simple present

Jose Luis: I **want** to buy a new car.

Indirect speech

simple past

Jose L. **told me** that

present progressive

past progressive.

Maria: I **am learning** to drive.

Maria **said** that

present perfect

past perfect

John **has found** a new job.

John **told me** that

present perfect progressive

past perfect progressive

Javier: I **have been trying** to get it.

Javier **told us** that

simple past

past perfect

Angel: I **wanted** to buy a new car a year ago.

He **told them** that

past progressive

past perfect progressive

He **was working** for a new company

He **told her** that

*past perfect

past perfect

He **had worked** for a new company.

He **say** that

* past perfect progressive

past perfect progressive

He **had been working** for a new company.

He **told them** that

simple future (will)

would

I will work for a new company

He say that

can

could

I can work for a new company next month.

She said that

should

should

You should work for that new company.

She told him that