

Reported speech activity

Instructions: rewrite the sentence in reported speech

1. I saw Miley Cyrus in an airport once.
He said _____
2. I met Emma Watson in a café in March.
He said _____
3. I don't believe in him anymore.
She said _____
4. He has never met anyone famous.
She said _____
5. "he's always creating a rumor about someone, even if he don't know that person."
She told me _____
6. I've been to the Academy Awards ceremony a couple of times.
She
said _____
7. It was amazing.
He said _____ -
8. I'll tell you if I'm going to the party.
He told me _____
9. You can join me
She said _____
10. I can't go tomorrow I need to go to the doctor.
He said _____

Part 2

Make the correct "backshift" of the verb in parenthesis to complete the text.

I'm really impressed by Sean O' Sullivan! He hasn't forgotten where he comes from, even though he's now world famous. Sean told me that he _____ (grew up) in a small town near Melbourne called Apollo Bay. Apparently, his family moved there to get away from the city. Sean loved living there. He said that his father and his brothers _____ (have always surfed) and that in Apollo Bay they _____ (surfed) every day!

Another thing he loves is the sense of community. He told me that because it was such a small place, he _____ (knows) everyone there.

I wasn't surprised to hear that Sean _____ (has always loved) movies as a child. But it did surprise me to learn that acting hadn't been one of his dreams.

He told me that he _____ (has only started) doing acting classes after school, when his brothers began appearing on TV shows.

He's stayed friends with his surfing mates over the years. Sean said they _____ (have never really shown) much interest in his acting career and that all they _____ (want) to do was surf. For them, Sean's still just one of the guys.