

1 GRAMMAR reported speech

a Complete the reported speech.

Direct speech

- 1 "I want to leave him."
- 2 "I don't like her parents."
- 3 "I'm getting divorced."
- 4 "I've been to the police station."
- 5 "I haven't met his girlfriend."
- 6 "I saw James with another woman."
- 7 "I can't cook."
- 8 "I won't tell anyone."
- 9 "I'll speak to her tomorrow."
- 10 "I have a lot of work to do."

Reported speech

- She said that she wanted to leave him.
- He told me that he _____.
- She told me that she _____.
- He told me that he _____.
- She said that she _____.
- He said that he _____.
- She told me that she _____.
- He said that he _____.
- She said that she _____.
- He told me that he _____.

b Write the sentences in direct speech.

- 1 She said she was busy.
She said: "I'm busy."
- 2 Jane said that she wanted a cup of coffee.
She said: "_____."
- 3 They told me that they hadn't seen the new neighbors yet.
They said: "_____."
- 4 Steve told me that he didn't want to go to the movie theater.
He said: "_____."
- 5 Helen and Paul said they would go to the party.
They said: "_____."
- 6 He said that his computer had just broken.
He said: "_____."
- 7 She told me that the city was very old.
She said: "_____."
- 8 They said that they would visit me.
They said: "_____."



2 VOCABULARY say or tell?

a Circle the correct words.

- 1 Her husband **said** / **told** that he was working late.
- 2 She **said** / **told** me that she wasn't happy.
- 3 They **said** / **told** us that they were getting married.
- 4 You **said** / **told** that she didn't like loud music.
- 5 I **said** / **told** you that I had a new laptop.
- 6 We **said** / **told** that we were going to be late.
- 7 Anna **said** / **told** you that she didn't have a car.
- 8 I **said** / **told** her that John was busy.
- 9 He **said** / **told** that we had to do exercise five.
- 10 You **said** / **told** that she had called Mike this morning.

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

- 1 She said that she had been to a friend's house.
- 2 We _____ our parents we wouldn't be home for lunch.
- 3 I _____ you that the man wasn't her brother.
- 4 They _____ that they were going on vacation.
- 5 He _____ me that he didn't have a cell phone.
- 6 You _____ that you weren't going out tonight.
- 7 James _____ that he was busy tonight.
- 8 I _____ that the movie started at eight o'clock.
- 9 We _____ them that his sister was on vacation.
- 10 Olivia _____ me that she had called Jack this morning.