Direct to Reported Speech.

We can report what somebody says without needing to use speech marks. For example,

"I want to be a hero!" announced Elikem.

becomes

Elikem announced that he wanted to be a hero.

Notice these things:

1. You have to write reported speech in the **past tense**.
2. The word **that** is important.

"I like your tie!" commented Hamza. - **becomes** - Hamza commented that he liked my tie.

Now change these;

1. "This work is easy!" exclaimed Asher.

2. "I want to go home," pleaded David.

3. "It's playtime," announced Mr William.

4. "I know the answer", Maame whispered to Yolanda.

5. "I want children to work hard," demanded the strict teacher.

6. "I'm too tired to carry on," complained Kathy Joy.