

Grammar Exercises for upper intermediate or FCE students

Put the verbs in brackets into the correct form



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- I'd rather(GO) fishing this afternoon.
- I'd rather you.....(NOT/WEAR) my red dress to the dance tonight.
- I'd rather you(SAY) that you didn't want to come!
- We prefer(WATCH) films to(WATCH) political programmes.
- You'd better.....(NOT/WAKE) her up because she hasn't slept for two days.
- I would prefer(PAY) in cash rather than by credit card.
- We would rather(RECYCLE) our rubbish than(USE) non-recycle goods.
- We'd prefer(CALL) our child David, rather than(CALL) him Steven.



Reported questions – Indirect questions

Reported Questions are introduced with **ASK, WONDER, INQUIRE, WANT TO KNOW**, etc. We use affirmative way order and the question mark becomes a full stop. **ASK + Question word/ ASK + if/whether**



- "What time is it?"
She asked him
- "Do you eat meat?"
She wanted to know
- "Will you take the dog for a walk?"
He wondered
- "Who did it?"
I want to know
- "How long has he been working here?"
Do you know



Reported Commands/ Requests/Suggestions



- "Watch out," he said to me.
He told me (command)
- "Please, don't move," he said to me.
He asked me(request)
- "Let's play chess," he said.
He suggested (suggestion)
- "You'd better see a doctor," he said.
He suggested that(suggestion)



Drop correct particles in the correct place:

- While I was walking down Oxford I **came** a good record shop.
- You should try to **cut**the number of cigarettes you smoke a day.
- You are always **cutting** our conversation!
- She **gives**all her old clothes to charity.
- She **gets** All her colleagues; she is such a nice person.
- If we want to get this done by five o'clock, we'd better **set**
- He left his job to **set** his own business.
- The dentist **took** one of my teeth last month.
- Alan told her that after this, he would **settle**..... and marry her.
- The novel had been **turned** a television series.

The -ing form or to infinitive: Rephrase using the word in bold:



- I think it's difficult to raise children nowadays. **Raising**
I thinkdifficult nowadays.
- It is too dark to see anything in here. **Bright**
Itto see anything here.
- Could you post this letter for me please? **Mind**
Wouldthis letter for me, please?
- Using the office photocopier is not allowed. **Allow**
We do notthe office photocopier.
- The party was so boring that we didn't enjoy ourselves. **Too**
The party wasenjoy ourselves.

