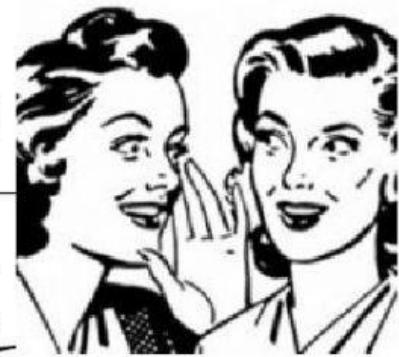


# Reported Speech

You use the reported speech to .....



DIRECT	→	REPORTED
Present Simple		
Present Progressive		
Present Perfect		
Past Simple		
Past Progressive		
Past Perfect		
will		
can		
must		

DIRECT	→	REPORTED
here		
this		
these		
now		
today		
yesterday		
tomorrow		
next week/year/...		
last week/year/...		

✓ Pronouns need to change as well:

I = he/she;    me = him/her;    my = his/her;    mine = his, hers;    we = they

✓ said said said, bla bla bla

Instead of "SAID that..." you can use other words:

We I He/She/It You	read pointed out heard thought screamed replied	that...
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→ He said that .... & He told SOMEBODY that ...

**People made these statements. Report them, using said.**

a. "Mary works in a bank", Jane said.

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b. "I'm staying with some friends", Jim pointed out.

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c. "I've never been to Russia", Mike screamed.

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d. "Tom can't use a computer", Ella whispered.

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e. "Everybody must try to do their best", Jill said.

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g. "I'll stay at home on Sunday", Bill shouted.

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A fireman said that all the children had been saved.



**Change the following statements into the reported speech.**

a. "I have something to show you", I told her.

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b. "I'm going away tomorrow", he said.

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c. "I've been in London for a month but I haven't had time to visit the Tower", said Rupert.

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d. "I'll come with you as soon as I'm ready", she replied.

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e. "We have a lift but very often it doesn't work", they said.

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f. "I must go to the dentist tomorrow", he whispered.

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g. "I found an old Roman coin in the garden yesterday and I am going to take it to the museum this afternoon", he told me.

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