

# REPORTING VERB + ING

## Admit – Deny – Accuse... of – Apologise for - Suggest

	Direct speech	Reported speech
admit <sup>*</sup>	He said, "Yes , I stole the necklace"	He <b>admitted stealing</b> the necklace
deny <sup>*</sup>	She said, "No, I didn't read your diary."	She <b>denied reading</b> my diary.
accuse sbd of	She said, "You started the fight"	She <b>accused me of starting</b> the fight
apologise for	He said, "I'm sorry I was so selfish".	He <b>apologised for being</b> so selfish.
suggest <sup>**</sup>	She said, "Let's go to the cinema"	She <b>suggested going</b> to the cinema

<sup>\*</sup>-can also be used with "that"

(she admitted that she had stolen the necklace ; he denied that he had read my diary)

<sup>\*\*</sup> - can also be used in other forms

### Rewrite the sentences:

1. He said to me, "You told her your secret"  
He accused me of telling her my his secret.
2. She told me, "I'm sorry I hurt your feelings".  
She apologised
3. "I didn't do anything wrong!", I said  
I denied
4. He told me, "Yes, I lied to you"  
He admitted
5. They told us "We're so sorry we didn't come to your party".  
They apologised
6. "You took my sweater without asking me!", she said.  
She accused me
7. "I broke the window", she said.  
She admitted
8. He said, "I didn't steal the money!"  
He denied
9. Mary said "Why don't we go to the cinema tonight?"  
Maria suggested
10. "You took my book without permission", Peter said to his little sister.  
Peter accused