

Reported speech

RULES:

❖ change the tenses – Present → Past → Past Perfect → X

❖ will → would; can → could

example:

Sophia: 'At school I didn't learn what to think but I learnt how to think'

Sophia said that at school she _____ what to think but she _____ how to think.

❖ remember to change personal pronouns:

'I don't eat meat' she said

She said that _____ didn't eat meat.

❖ change time expressions:

now →

tomorrow →

yesterday →

last year →

next year →

this week →

❖ requests/commands: ask sb to (not to) do sth/ tell sb to(not to) do sth

'Can you open the window?' she asked → She asked me _____

'Don't eat!' → He told us _____

'Sit down, please' → She told me _____

❖ questions

'Are you OK?' she asked → She asked IF I WAS OK.

'Where were you yesterday' my mum asked → My mum asked WHERE I HAD BEEN the day before

