

Listen to some sentences in direct speech and reported speech. Repeat.

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1. I'm in a hurry. / *She said that she was in a hurry.*
2. I'll write. / *He said that he would write.*
3. I didn't see it. / *She said that she hadn't seen it.*
4. I'm hungry. / *He said that he was hungry.*
5. I'll be late. / *She said that she would be late.*
6. I finished. / *He said that he had finished.*
7. I'm coming. / *She said that she was coming.*
8. I'll do it again. / *He said that he would do it again.*
9. I had a great time. / *She said that she had had a great time.*
10. I'm tired. / *He said that he was tired.*

Listen to the dialogue between Iris and Rosemary.



I: Hello, Rosemary. How are you this morning?

R: Hello, Iris. I'm fine thanks, but *you'll never guess* what's happened. *Jack and Emma have broken up!*

I: No! Jack and Emma from next door? That can't be true. I saw them last week and they looked really happy.

R: No, it's definitely true. I heard them shouting. They were having a terrible argument.

I: No! When?

R: Last night. After he came home from work.

I: What did they say?

R: Well, I wasn't really listening ...

I: Of course not.

R: But *I couldn't help hearing*. She was talking so loudly and of course the walls are very thin.

I: So, what did they say?

R: Well, she said she that was going to stay with her mother! She told him that she wouldn't come back.

I: Ooh, **how awful!** What about the children?

R: She said she'd taken them to her sister. I suppose she'll take them with her in the end. And anyway, then five minutes later I saw her leaving the house with a suitcase!

I: No! Why do you think she's leaving him? Is he seeing another woman?

R: I don't know. Ooh, here's my bus.

I: I have to go and tell! Mrs Jones from across the street. She always thought there was something ... something strange about him.

GLOSSARY

You'll never guess! = nunca adivinarás

They've broken up. = terminaron, rompieron (su relación)

I can't help... = no puedo evitar

I couldn't help... (hearing) = no pude evitar escuchar

How awful! = que horrible!

Now listen to what Jack and Emma said.

J: Hi, Emma. I'm back. Where are you?

E: I'm upstairs in the bedroom. I'm packing.

J: Why? Where are you going?

E: I'm going to stay with my mum.

J: What's happened to her?

E: She's had an accident. She fell on the street yesterday and she's broken her leg.

J: How awful! Poor thing. Can I help you with anything?

E: Actually yes. Could you get my small suitcase in the closet?

J: How long do you think you'll have to stay?

E: I won't come back until the weekend, I don't think. I'll have to make sure she's OK. I've taken the children to my sister's for the night and she'll take them to school tomorrow morning. Can you pick them up after school?



J: Of course, I can, honey. Now don't worry about anything. We'll be absolutely fine. And here's your suitcase.

E: Thanks, dear. The taxi'll be here in five minutes.

GLOSSARY

I'm upstairs = estoy arriba (subiendo las escaleras)

She's broken her leg = se rompió una pierna

Poor thing = pobrecito/a

I won't come back = no regresaré

I'll have to make sure...= tengo que asegurarme de que..