

## GRAMMAR reported speech: sentences and questions

- a Read the interview. Then complete the journalist's report below with the **bold** verbs from the interview in the correct tense.

**Journalist** Firstly Matthew, thank you very much for agreeing to this interview. I know you're a busy man. You have the leading role in the latest Kathryn Westwood film. What is it like working with her?

**Matthew** You <sup>1</sup>**can't** begin to imagine what a fantastic experience it <sup>2</sup>**is**. In fact, it <sup>3</sup>**has been** an honour to work with her. However, I have to say that it <sup>4</sup>**wasn't** easy at first, because filming <sup>5</sup>**started** at 7.00 a.m. every day for the first three weeks. I'm not a person who likes early starts!

**Journalist** Yes, I had heard that! What <sup>6</sup>**did you enjoy** most about working with her?

**Matthew** I <sup>7</sup>**loved** the way that she <sup>8</sup>**could** get all the actors, including me, to do exactly what she wanted us to do.

**Journalist** <sup>9</sup>**Are you going to be** in any more of her films in the near future?

**Matthew** It <sup>10</sup>**depends** on Kathryn, but I hope I <sup>11</sup>**will be**. I'm really sorry, but I <sup>12</sup>**must** go because I have a photo shoot at *Vogue* magazine.



Matthew told me that I <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ begin to imagine what a fantastic experience working with Kathryn Westwood <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. He also said that working with her <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ an honour. However, he said that it <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ easy at first, because filming <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ at 7.00 a.m. every day for the first three weeks. When I asked him what he <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ most about working with Kathryn Westwood, he told me that he <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the way that she <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ get all the actors to do exactly what she wanted. Finally, I asked Matthew if <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in any more of her films in the future. He said that it <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ on Kathryn, but he hoped he <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. We then finished the interview because Matthew said that he <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ go because he had a photo shoot at *Vogue* magazine.

- b Write the questions other journalists asked Matthew in reported speech.

“ What's the most interesting role that you've played? ”

1 The BBC asked Matthew what the most interesting role he had played was.

“ Is there too much violence in films? ”

2 Fox asked him \_\_\_\_\_

“ Who's the most difficult actor that you've ever worked with? ”

3 RTVE asked him \_\_\_\_\_

“ What should a young person who wants to go into acting do? ”

4 RAI asked him \_\_\_\_\_

“ When are you going to retire? ”

5 ITV asked him \_\_\_\_\_

### ACTIVATION

Cover the journalist's report in a. Look at the interview and try to remember the journalist's report.