

Reported speech - statements, questions and imperatives/Reporting verbs (gerund or to infinitive structure)

Passive with reporting verbs

I wish/If only/It's (high) time, I'd rather/sooner, Supposing/Provided that

1. Merry to her uncle: "Don't be mad at me."

Merry

2. If only they (ask) you for advice before they started the project.

You're the expert!

3. I'd rather at home tonight.

4. Suppose someone (steal) you your purse. What would you do?

5. People believe that the dolphins have died due to water pollution.

a. The dolphins due to water pollution.

b. It due to water pollution.

6. She recommended (take) the first flight home.

7. Adam to his mother: "Help me with my homework."

Adam

8. Anna: "I have been reading the same book since yesterday."

Anna said

9. It is high time we.....(go) home.

10. They offered (take) me home.

11. I encouraged my boss (leave) the project

12. Dave: "I am going to watch Shakespeare's Twelfth Night with my family tomorrow."

Dave said

13. People thought he was a hero.

a. He a hero.

b. It a hero.

14. Isabelle to Tom: "I can't go outside tonight as I am ill."

Isabelle

15. I would rather you(not smoke) in my room.

16. Frank: "How much pocket money does Lisa get?"

Frank wanted to know

17. People expect that the president will arrive very soon.

a. The president very soon.

b. It very soon.

18. He admitted.....(steal) the book.

19. I wish we(apologize) them last time we saw them.

20. I don't blame you (want) to move to another house. I don't like this house either.

21. People know she lied to her manager.

- a. She to her manager.
- b. It to her manager.

22. Adam to his wife: "Next winter I am going to travel to Paris."

Adam

23. He behaves as if he.....(be) a boss.

24. People think she is in Wales.

- a. She in Wales.
- b. It in Wales.

25. Anne: "Must I do the shopping?"

Anne asked

26. Andrew: "Will Mandy have lunch with Sue?"

Andrew asked me

27. It is high time you (start) your own company

28. She wishes she (not/buy) that watch last week. Today the price is lower.

29. People think that neither team deserved the victory.

- a. Neither team the victory.
- b. It the victory.

30. "What time does the next bus leave?" he said. "I need to get to the station."

He wanted to know.....

31. They advised me(talk) to you any more.

32. If only I (know) it before I called him a thief.

33. We would rather you(study) harder.

34. They say he is feeling better.

- a. He better.
- b. It better.

35. Elisabeth: "Did you watch the latest film?"

Elisabeth asked me

36. I suggest the police right now.

37. You look as if you(see) a ghost.

38. "Don't mention it to Eric."

David told me

39. I could finally persuade Megan(do) it.

40. She looks as if she(have) a million dollars

41. The police say that she is hiding in the city.

a. She in the city.

b. It in the city.

42. "When will I see you again?"

Natalie asked Mike

43. I would rather she (visit) me today.

44. 'You must take these tablets twice a day.'

The doctor says I

45. It is high time you (move) to your own house.

46. People know the suspect was dealing with drugs.

a. The suspect with drugs.

b. It with drugs.

47. 'I'll meet you later today.'

Jim tells me

48. George: "Which phone is yours?"

George asked me

49. If only I(have) more time for my children.

50. People considered the government had spent too much.

a. The government too much.

b. It too much.

51. My mum insisted (lend) me the money.

52. If only he(finish) his job last week.

53. "I won't lend you any more money."

He refused (lend) me any more money.

Rephrase the sentences using the right reporting verb.

"I will help you, I promise."

John me.

"Shall we go to the concert?"

Elvira to the concert.

"I didn't break the window"

George the window.

"I wish I hadn't got married"

Sam married.

"I'll kill you!"

A gangster me.

"You should go to the doctor."

She to the doctor.

"I won't help you."

He me.

"I'm sorry that I was late."

He late.

"Jack, remember to set the alarm before you leave."

Peter the alarm before he left.

"I broke the window."

He the window.