

Reported speech - Modal verbs

Jessica and David were sitting at the dinner table, talking about their plans for the next day. Jessica said that she had to help their little brother, Liam, with his homework later that evening. But she also said that she might not finish it if she got too tired.



David wasn't feeling well, so he told Jessica that he would go to football practice if he felt better. He also said that his coach had told the team they should practice more often so they could get better. Before they finished eating, Jessica said that they could meet and have lunch together before David's practice. David wasn't sure, because he said the team had to practice very early.

Who said what? Match the direct speech to the correct speaker.

"We can meet and have lunch together before your practice."

"I have to help Liam with his homework later."

"I'll go to football practice if I feel better."

"I don't know. The team must practice very early."

"Coach said we should practice more often so we can get better."

"I may not finish if I get too tired."

How did the verbs change from direct to reported speech?

may →

can →

should →

must →

Reported speech - Say, ask, and tell





