

REPORTING VERBS: read following article and fill in the gaps with suitable verbs from the list

SPOILT BRAT OR NEGLECTED CHILD?

US teenager Rachel Canning took her parents to court and tried to sue them for financial support. She _____ them of abandoning her when she had turned 18 and refusing to fund her college education. She _____ that they had thrown her out of her home and _____ that she had been living at a friend's house.

Mr Canning refused to accept his daughter's version of events. He _____ kicking Rachel out and assured the court that she had left voluntarily after an argument about household rules and her choice of boyfriends. He _____ that Rachel's friends had encouraged her to take the matter to court. He _____ that he and his wife loved and missed their child and _____ that the situation was having a terrible effect on them. He begged his daughter to come home soon.

- accused - added - claimed - denied - explained - insisted - suggested -

Read the second part of the report and choose the correct answer (A,B,C or D) to complete the text

The judge rejected the teenager's demands, but _____ everyone in the court that in future, children may consider suing their parents for a smartphone. The judge _____ Rachel and her family to have family counselling. The teenager has _____ to return home and the Cannings have _____ the media to give the family some privacy while they work things out. The parents have _____ to relax the house rules and in return, Rachel has _____ them that she won't leave home again.

1	A	Warned	B	Explained	C	Promised	D	Suggested
2	A	Denied	B	Insisted	C	Advised	D	Reminded
3	A	Agreed	B	Proposed	C	Reminded	D	Ordered
4	A	Refused	B	Warned	C	Insisted	D	Urged
5	A	Convinced	B	Offered	C	Suggested	D	Told
6	A	Agreed	B	Denied	C	Warned	D	Promised