

Reporting Verbs: Knowledge Check

Section 1: Dependent Verb Patterns

Complete each sentence with the correct grammatical form of the verb in brackets: an **infinitive with to**, a **gerund (-ing)**, or a **preposition + -ing**.

1. She apologised for _____ (arrive) twenty minutes late to the seminar.
2. The safety officer warned the staff _____ (not leave) the laboratory unlocked.
3. They insisted on _____ (review) the full contract before signing any documents.
4. The lecturer encouraged Serhii _____ (resit) the professional qualification exam.

Section 2: Reporting Functional Meaning

Rewrite each quote in reported speech using the verb supplied in bold. Adjust pronouns and tenses where necessary.

5. "I definitely did not take the confidential project files," said Ihor. (**deny**)

6. "Remember to attach your updated CV before sending the application," Maryna told me. (**remind**)

7. "It is your fault that we lost the client," the director told Oleksandr. (**blame**)

8. "Please, please let me borrow the car for one evening!" Bohdan said to his sister. (**beg**)

Section 3: Identifying & Correcting Structural Errors

Each sentence contains **one** common structural mistake involving the reporting verb. Write the fully corrected sentence on the lines provided.

9. The instructor suggested us to revise the academic vocabulary list before Monday.

10. Taras convinced to his manager that the project deadline was unrealistic.

11. The police officer ordered the driver that he steps out of the vehicle.

12. The supplier assured that the shipment would reach Kyiv by Friday afternoon.
