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WHAT DID THEY SAY?



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Remember to shift the tenses back!

"**I am working on a new project.**"
Sarah said that she _____ on a new project.

"**We visited the museum last weekend.**"
They told me that they _____ the museum the previous weekend.

"**I will send you the files tomorrow.**"
Mark promised that he _____ me the files the next day.

"**I can't attend the meeting.**"
Elena explained that she _____ attend the meeting.

"**Have you finished the report?**"
My boss asked me if I _____ the report.



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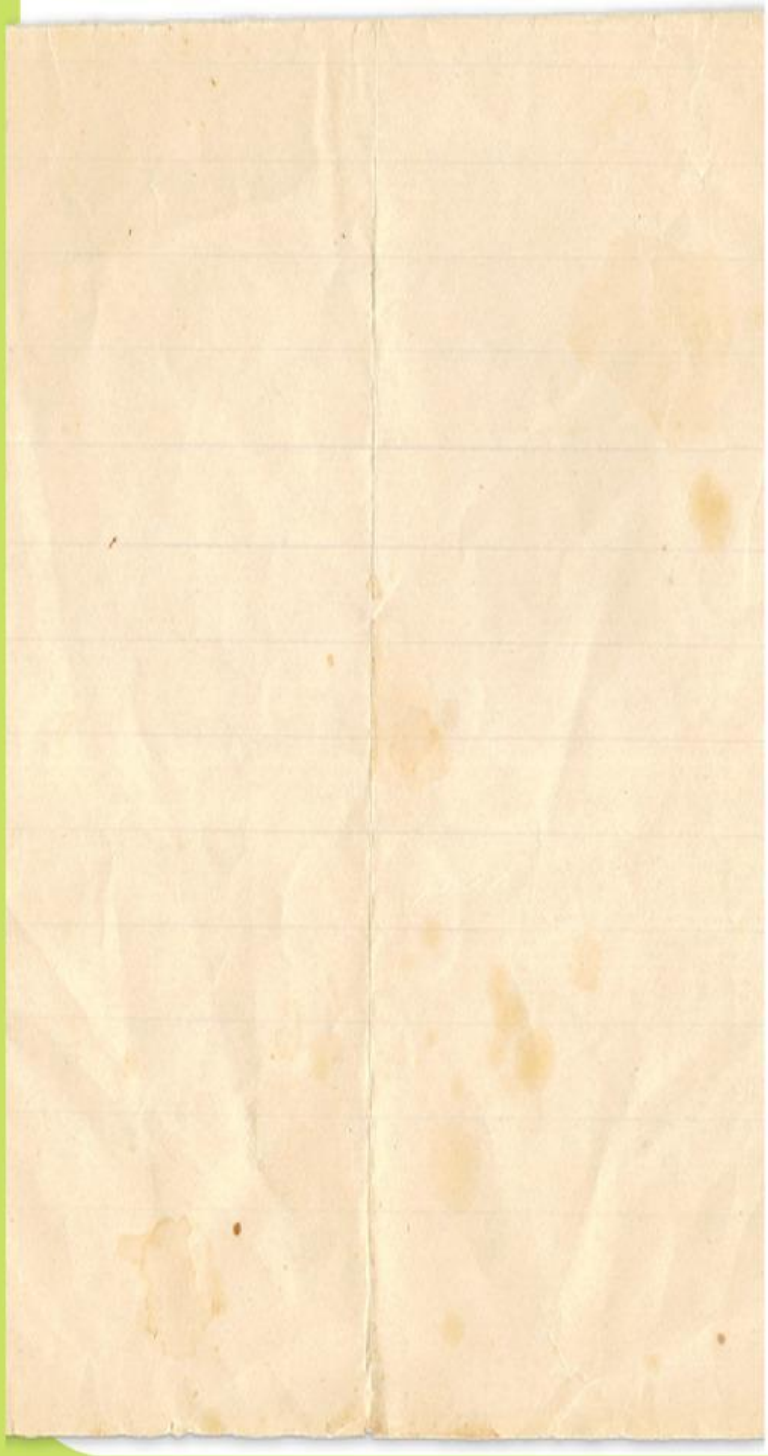
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WRITING

You're a reporter and you're going to write an article about gentrification for a magazine. Use Reported Speech with the next statements. Write between 120-150 words.

1. Mrs. Lopez: "My rent is getting higher."
2. Mia: "We will organize a community meeting."
3. Alex: "I visit the park every weekend and all is getting expensive"
4. Daniel: "Some families cannot afford these prices."



LISTENING

Listen next statements twice and answer the ques

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