



REPORTED SPEECH: EXTRA ACTIVITIES

1. Transform these sentences into reported speech.

- a) 'I like races', he said
- b) 'My mother is wearing a hat for this wedding', said Fred
- c) 'We will win our match tomorrow', claimed the players.
- d) My brother can play tennis very well', he said.
- e) 'The students must copy their homework in the diary', pointed the teacher
- f) My mum complained: 'You haven't cleaned your room yet'
- g) The woman on TV said, 'By 1998, scientists had already identified the bacteria causing this illness'.
- h) 'You must brush your teeth three times a day', said the dentist.

2. Write what the people actually said in each situation:

The journalist asked the film director if he was making a film at that moment. He said that he wasn't but that he was going to start a new one soon.

Journalist: _____

Film director: _____

The writer asked the man if he had enjoyed her book. He said that he thought it was the most beautiful thing he had ever read.

Writer: _____

Man : _____

The reporter asked the singer why she wouldn't answer any of his questions. She told him that she only wanted to talk about her new CD and that she wasn't going to talk about anything else.

Reporter: _____

Singer: _____

The teacher asked the class whether they could write an essay for the next day, but they replied that they couldn't because they had to study for an exam and they wouldn't have enough time.

Teacher: _____

Students: _____

Julie wanted to know what my favourite book was. I said it was 1984 by George Orwell. She asked me how many times I'd read it and I told her that I'd read it three times.

Julie: _____

Me: _____

3. Transform these sentences to the reported speech.

- a) Sean promised: 'I will replace the DVD that I have broken'.
- b) Alicia announced: 'I am going to learn a foreign language'.
- c) Stuart said: 'I am meeting Julie at 8 o'clock this evening'.
- d) Eve told me: 'I don't want to come to this party'.
- d) Dominic said: 'We will love my favourite band's new songs'.
- e) 'I'm going to buy a PC soon', said Melissa
- f) We can get a cheap connection', Peter said
- g) 'We've had many problems with viruses lately', the director told us.
- h) 'Lydia went to see her grandparents', her mother informed me.
- I) 'You have an appointment for tomorrow', she told me.
- j) 'I had seen Peter before I sent you the message', said Alex
- k) 'This is the best mobile I've ever had', Max announced.
- l) 'We're leaving now', Jim said.

4. Rewrite these questions in Reported Speech.

- a) 'When is your birthday?' the old woman asked the little kid.

b) His mum asked us 'Did you enjoy the concert?'

c) 'Are you investigating about this crime in this moment?' the police officer asked the private detective.

d) 'How many times can you bounce your ball blindfolded?' asked the PE teacher.

e) Rosa asked me: 'What will the weather be tomorrow?'

f) We wanted to know: 'Why are these people worried?'

g) Nelson Mandela said: 'Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world'.

h) 'Where has Bryan and you put your books today?', asked their mum.

I) 'Who was that beautiful woman in the picture?', he wondered.

j) Tom asked me: ' Have you ever been to Paris?'

k) The tourists asked 'Is this the way to the North Station'?

Transform these questions into reported style:

1. Patricia asked me: 'Do you need my help?'

2. Jennifer asked me: 'What would you like for lunch?'

3. Sid asked: 'Are you hungry?'

4. 'Did you enjoy your trip?', asked Connie

5. Dylan asked, 'What are you talking about?'
6. Nancy asked, 'Have you seen my grammar book?'
7. Sam asked, 'Where is Amanda?'
8. 'Can you come to my party?', asked David.
9. 'Why is the sky blue?', my young daughter often asked.
10. My mother asked, 'Why are you going to buy a new computer?'