



DIRECT & REPORTED SPEECH

◆ Activity 1: Reporting Questions

Change the direct questions into reported speech.

1. "Where do you live?" _____
2. "What are you doing?" _____
3. "Did you see the movie?" _____
4. "Will you come tomorrow?" _____
5. "Why did she leave?" _____

💡 *Tip for students: No quotation marks. Change word order. Use "asked" or "wanted to know."*

◆ Activity 2: Reporting Commands & Requests

Change the direct speech into reported speech using **told** or **asked**.

1. "Please help me." _____
2. "Don't be late." _____
3. "Open the window." _____
4. "Can you pass the salt?" _____
5. "Stop talking!" _____

💡 *Tip for students: Use to + verb or not to + verb.*

◆ Activity 3: Mixed Tense Challenge

Change to reported speech. Watch the verb tense carefully.

1. "I have finished my homework." _____
2. "We were watching TV." _____
3. "She had already left." _____
4. "I will be working tomorrow." _____
5. "They are going to travel next month." _____

◆ Activity 4: Layered Reporting

Read the short dialogue. Then report what happened.

Dialogue: Tom said, "I'm tired." Anna replied, "You should take a break." Tom answered, "I can't. I have too much work."

Your version: Tom said _____

Teacher's Key

Activity 1: Reporting Questions

Direct Speech

1. "Where do you live?"
2. "What are you doing?"
3. "Did you see the movie?"
4. "Will you come tomorrow?"
5. "Why did she leave?"

Reported Speech

He asked where I lived.
She asked what I was doing.
He asked if I had seen the movie.
She asked if I would come the next day.
He asked why she had left.

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Direct Speech

1. "Please help me."
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3. "Open the window."
4. "Can you pass the salt?"
5. "Stop talking!"

Reported Speech

She asked me to help her.
He told me not to be late.
She told me to open the window.
He asked me to pass the salt.
She told me to stop talking.

Note: Use to + verb or not to + verb. Choose asked or told based on tone.

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Direct Speech

- "I have finished my homework."
"We were watching TV."
"She had already left."
"I will be working tomorrow."
"They are going to travel next month."

Reported Speech

He said he had finished his homework.
She said they had been watching TV.
He said she had already left.
She said she would be working the next day.
He said they were going to travel the following month.

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Tom said that he was tired. Anna told him that he should take a break. Tom replied that he couldn't because he had too much work.