

Reported Speech (Set 1)

A. Fill in the blanks to complete the reported speech.

1. She said, "I am going to the store."

She said (that) _____ going to the store.

2. John said, "I will finish the project tomorrow."

John said (that) _____ finish the project the next day.

3. "We have been working all day," they said.

They said (that) _____ been working all day.

4. He said, "I like playing soccer."

He said (that) _____ playing soccer.

B. Choose the correct reported speech that matches the direct speech.

1. She said, "I am reading a book."

- a. She said (that) she is reading a book.
- b. She said (that) she was reading a book.
- c. She said (that) she reads a book.

Correct: _____

2. Pat said, "I will go to the party tomorrow."

- a. Pat said (that) he will go to the party the next day.
- b. Pat said (that) he is going to the party tomorrow.
- c. Pat said (that) he would go to the party the next day.

Correct: _____

3. "I have never seen that movie," she said.

- a. She said (that) she had never seen that movie.
- b. She said (that) she has never seen that movie.
- c. She said (that) she never seen that movie.

Correct: _____

4. They said, "We are going to the park."

- a. They said (that) they are going to the park.
- b. They said (that) they go to the park.
- c. They said (that) they were going to the park.

Correct: _____

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C. Change the direct speech to reported speech.

1. "I can't find my keys," she said.

2. "We will go shopping tomorrow," they told us.

3. "Are you coming to the party tonight?" she asked me.

4. "I was watching TV when you called," he explained.

D. Find and correct the mistake in each reported speech sentence.

1. "I worked hard on this project," Juan said.

Juan said he had worked hard on this project.

2. "I was really tired," Mrs Holmes told Janet.

Mrs Holmes told Janet she is really tired.

E. Turn each line of the dialogue into reported speech.

(1) **Mark:** I'm planning to go hiking this weekend.

(2) **Emma:** Where are you going?

(3) **Mark:** I'm thinking about the Blue Ridge Mountains.

(4) **Emma:** Do you need any gear? I have a great backpack you can borrow.

(5) **Mark:** Thanks, but I already have one.



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2. _____

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Correct: **b**

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- a. Pat said (that) he will go to the party the next day.
- b. Pat said (that) he is going to the party tomorrow.
- c. Pat said (that) he would go to the party the next day.

Correct: **c**

3. "I have never seen that movie," she said.

- a. She said (that) she had never seen that movie.
- b. She said (that) she has never seen that movie.
- c. She said (that) she never seen that movie.

Correct: **a**

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- b. They said (that) they go to the park.
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She said (that) she couldn't find her keys.

2. "We will go shopping tomorrow," they told us.

They told us (that) they would go shopping the next day.

3. "Are you coming to the party tonight?" she asked me.

She asked me if I was coming to the party that night.

4. "I was watching TV when you called," he explained.

He explained (that) he had been watching TV when I called.

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Juan said that he had worked hard on **that** project.

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Mrs Holmes told Janet she is really tired.

Mrs. Holmes told Janet that she **had been** really tired.

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