

Reported speech (2)

I can report what other people have said.



1 Read the direct speech and complete the reported speech.

- 1 'I haven't told the police about the vandalism,' said Adrian.
Adrian said that _____
_____ the vandalism.
- 2 'I can't find my passport,' said Julia.
Julia said that she _____
_____ passport.
- 3 'I'll be at the park at 7 o'clock,' said Daniel.
Daniel said that _____
_____ 7 o'clock.
- 4 'Somebody has stolen my new bike,' said Joanna.
Joanna said that _____
_____ new bike.
- 5 'My dad will lend me some money for the train,' said Tina.
Tina said that _____
_____ the train.
- 6 'I can speak French, but I can't speak Spanish,' said Sara.
Sara said that _____
_____ Spanish.
- 7 'I've invited all of my friends to a barbecue at my house,'
said Michael.
Michael said that _____
_____ house.
- 8 'I won't tell anybody about the surprise party,' said Anna.
Anna said that _____
_____ surprise party.

2 Complete the sentences with *said* or *told*.

- 1 Chloe _____ she would enjoy visiting the castle.
- 2 Jack _____ you his sister couldn't swim.
- 3 Evie _____ the teacher that she had finished the exercise.
- 4 Emma _____ James would be home soon.
- 5 Max _____ everyone that he had met a famous actor.
- 6 Amelia _____ her dad she'd get home by 10 o'clock.
- 7 Steve _____ his cousins couldn't speak English.
- 8 Jess _____ Lily had always been her best friend.

3 Change the reported speech in exercise 2 into direct speech.

- 1 Chloe: 'I'll enjoy visiting the castle.'
- 2 Jack: '_____.'
- 3 Evie: '_____.'
- 4 Emma: '_____.'
- 5 Max: '_____.'
- 6 Amelia: '_____.'
- 7 Steve: '_____.'
- 8 Jess: '_____.'

4 Read the dialogue. Then rewrite it as reported speech. Remember to change pronouns and time references if necessary.

Joe I've seen two crimes this week. On Monday, I saw a robbery in the shopping centre.
Freya I heard about that on the news!
Joe I was there. I took lots of photos of the robbers on my phone.
Freya You'll probably get a reward!
Joe I won't get a reward because I can't show the photos to the police.
Freya I don't understand ...
Joe Yesterday, I was the victim of another crime. A thief stole my phone on the bus!

Joe said he had seen two crimes that week. He said that on Monday, he _____

5 Complete the sentences with reported speech, using your own ideas.

- 1 Our teacher told us we'd _____.
- 2 My best friend said that _____ soon.
- 3 I once told my friend that _____.