

Direct & Indirect Speech

Directions (Qs. 1 - 6): Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.

1. Neha said, "I prefer tea to coffee."

- A) Neha said that she prefers tea to coffee.
- B) Neha said that she preferred tea to coffee.
- C) Neha said she had preferred tea to coffee.
- D) Neha told she preferred tea to coffee.

2. The coach said, "We have won the series."

- A) The coach said that they had won the series.
- B) The coach said that they have won the series.
- C) The coach said that they won the series.
- D) The coach said that we had won the series.

3. She said to me, "Why are you late?"

- A) She asked me why was I late.
- B) She asked me why I am late.
- C) She said why I was late.
- D) She asked me why I was late.

4. Rahul said, "I was waiting for the bus at 6 p.m."

- A) Rahul said that I had been waiting for the bus at 6 p.m.
- B) Rahul said that he was waiting for the bus at 6 p.m.
- C) Rahul said that he had been waiting for the bus at 6 p.m.
- D) Rahul told that he had waited for the bus at 6 p.m.

5. The officer said to the guard, "Do not allow anyone inside."

- A) The officer told the guard do not allow anyone inside.
- B) The officer ordered the guard not to allow anyone inside.
- C) The officer forbade the guard to not allow anyone inside.
- D) The officer asked that the guard should not allow anyone inside.

6. She said, "Can I borrow your notes?"

- A) She asked whether she could borrow my notes.
- B) She asked if could she borrow my notes.
- C) She asked that she could borrow my notes.
- D) She told me if she can borrow my notes.

Directions (Qs. 7 - 11): Select the correct direct form of the given sentence.

7. The guard asked whether we had locked the gate.

- A) The guard asked, "Did we lock the gate?"
- B) The guard asked, "Have you locked the gate?"
- C) The guard asked, "Had we locked the gate?"

D) The guard asked, "Are you locking the gate?"

8. She wondered why he had left so early.

A) She said, "Why had you left so early?"

B) She asked, "Why do you leave so early?"

C) She said, "Why did you leave so early?"

D) She asked, "Why were you leaving so early?"

9. He told the students not to copy from each other.

A) He told the students, "Don't copy from each other."

B) He said, "Not to copy from each other."

C) He told the students, "You should not copy from each other."

D) He ordered the students that they should not copy from each other.

10. They said that they would submit the project by Friday.

A) They said, "We shall have submitted the project by Friday."

B) They said, "We would submit the project by Friday."

C) They said, "We have submitted the project by Friday."

D) They said, "We will submit the project by Friday."

11. The manager asked me where I had kept the files.

A) The manager asked, "Where had you kept the files?"

B) The manager asked, "Where do you keep the files?"

C) The manager asked, "Where did you keep the files?"

D) The manager asked, "Where have you kept the files?"

KEY

1-B, 2-A, 3-D, 4-C, 5-B, 6-A, 7-B, 8-C, 9-A, 10-D, 11-C.