

She said that ... He told me that ...

A

Last week you went to a party. A lot of your friends were there. Here are some things they said to you:

Today you meet Paul. You tell him about the party. You tell Paul what your friends said:

CLARE



I'm enjoying my new job.

My father isn't well.

am
is } → was

- ☐ Clare said that **she was** enjoying her new job.
- ☐ She said that **her father wasn't** well.

SARAH



We're going to buy a house.

BEN

are → were

- ☐ Sarah and Ben said that **they were** going to buy a house.

PETER



I have to leave early.

My sister has gone to Australia.

have
has } → had

- ☐ Peter said that **he had** to leave early.
- ☐ He said that **his sister had** gone to Australia.

KATE



I can't find a job.

can → could

- ☐ Kate said that **she couldn't** find a job.

STEVE



I'll phone you.

will → would

- ☐ Steve said that **he would** phone me.

RACHEL



I don't like my job.

My son doesn't like school.

do
does } → did

- ☐ Rachel said that **she didn't** like her job.
- ☐ She said that **her son didn't** like school.

MIKE



You look tired.

I feel fine.

YOU

look → looked
feel → felt
etc. etc.
(present) (past)

- ☐ Mike said that **I looked** tired.
- ☐ I said that **I felt** fine.

B

say and tell

say (→ said)

- ☐ He **said** that he was tired.
(not He said me)
- ☐ What did she **say to** you?
(not say you)

We say **he said to me, I said to Ann** etc.
(not 'he said me', 'I said Ann').

tell (→ told)

- ☐ He **told me** that he was tired.
(not He told that)
- ☐ What did she **tell you**?
(not tell to you)

We say **he told me, I told Ann** etc.
(not 'he told to me', 'I told to Ann').

C

You can say:










- ☐ He said **that** he was tired. or He said he was tired. (*without that*)
- ☐ Kate told me **that** she couldn't find a job. or Kate told me she couldn't find a job.

Exercises

50.1 Read what these people say and write sentences with **He/She/They said (that) ...**

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| <p>1  I've lost my watch.
He said he had lost his watch.</p> <p>2  I'm very busy.</p> <p>3  I can't go to the party.</p> <p>4  I have to go out.</p> <p>5  I'm learning Russian.</p> | <p>6  I don't feel very well.</p> <p>7  We'll be home late.</p> <p>8  I've just come back from holiday.</p> <p>9  I'm going to buy a guitar.</p> <p>10  We haven't got a key.</p> |
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50.2 Use the pictures to complete the sentences.

<p>1  I'm enjoying my new job. CLARE</p>	<p>2  I'm not hungry. EMMA</p>	<p>3  I need it. MIKE</p>
<p>4  I don't want to go. INVITATION HANNAH</p>	<p>5  You can have it. SUSAN</p>	<p>6  I'll send you a postcard. MARTIN</p>
<p>7  Where's Robert? He's gone home. NICOLA</p>	<p>8  I want to watch TV. DAVID</p>	<p>9  I'm going to the cinema. MARY</p>

- I met Clare last week. She said she was enjoying her new job.
- Emma didn't want anything to eat. She said
- I wanted to borrow Mike's ladder, but he said
- Hannah was invited to the party, but she said
- Susan told me she didn't want the picture. She said
- Martin has just gone away on holiday. He said
- I was looking for Robert. Nicola said
- 'Why did David stay at home?' 'He said
- 'Has Mary gone out?' 'I think so. She said

50.3 Write **say/said** or **tell/told**.

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| 1 He <u>said</u> he was tired. | 7 The woman she was a reporter. |
| 2 What did she <u>tell</u> you? | 8 The woman us she was a reporter. |
| 3 Anna she didn't like Peter. | 9 They asked me a lot of questions, but I didn't them anything. |
| 4 Jack me that you were ill. | 10 They asked me a lot of questions, but I didn't anything. |
| 5 Please don't Dan what happened. | |
| 6 Did Lucy she would be late? | |