

## CHUYÊN ĐỀ 4: CÂU TƯỜNG THUẬT (REPORTED SPEECH)

Câu tường thuật được dùng để tường thuật lại một lời nói của ai đó.

### 1. Một số lưu ý khi chuyển từ câu trực tiếp sang câu gián tiếp

#### - Sự chuyển đổi về thì.

Câu trực tiếp	Câu gián tiếp
hiện tại đơn	quá khứ đơn
hiện tại tiếp diễn	quá khứ tiếp diễn
hiện tại hoàn thành	quá khứ hoàn thành
quá khứ đơn	quá khứ hoàn thành
quá khứ tiếp diễn	quá khứ hoàn thành tiếp diễn
quá khứ hoàn thành	quá khứ hoàn thành
can	could
will	would
shall	should
may	might
must	had to

#### - Sự chuyển đổi của các trạng ngữ chỉ thời gian và nơi chốn.

Câu trực tiếp	Câu gián tiếp
Today	that day
Tonight	that night
Now	then
Ago	before
Yesterday	the day before
last week	the week before next week/ the week after
tomorrow	the day after
this	that
these	those
here	there

- **Chú ý:** Đa phần các động từ tường thuật đều ở quá khứ. Tuy vậy, đôi khi động từ tường thuật có thể ở thì hiện tại. Khi động từ tường thuật ở thì hiện tại thì ta không lùi thì. Ngoài ra ta phải chuyển đổi ngôi sao cho phù hợp với từng tình huống.

**Ví dụ:** Tom **said** "I will go to England tomorrow".

→ Tom **said** (that) he would go to England the next day.

**Ví dụ:** Mary **says** "I am from England".

→ Mary **says** (that) she is from England

### 2. Các dạng câu tường thuật.

#### a. Câu khẳng định và phủ định

Động từ tường thuật thường là said/told.

**Ví dụ:** He said, "I have seen her today."

→ He said (that) he had seen her that day.

**Ví dụ:** The teacher said to Peter, "The prize was not given to you."

→ The teacher told Peter (that) the prize had not been given to him.

- **Chú ý:** said to → told

#### b. Câu hỏi

Động từ tường thuật thường là *asked/ wondered/ wanted to know*

- Với dạng câu Yes/ No question.

**Ví dụ:** She asked me, "Do you like reading books?"

→ She asked me if I liked reading books.

**Ví dụ:** He said, “Can you speak English, Mary?”

→ He asked Mary whether she could speak English.

**- Với dạng câu Wh question.**

**Ví dụ:** He said, “What is her name?”

→ He asked what her name was.

**Ví dụ:** She said to him, “Where do you live?”

→ She asked him where he lived.

**c. Câu mệnh lệnh, yêu cầu, đề nghị, lời khuyên ...:**

Động từ tường thuật thường là *told/ asked/ ordered/ commanded, requested*

<b>Khẳng định:</b>	<b>S + asked/ told + O + to V-inf</b>
<b>Phủ định:</b>	<b>S + asked/ told + O + not to V-inf</b>

**Ví dụ:** The teacher said, “Answer the question, Nam.”

→ The teacher told Nam to answer the question.

**Ví dụ:** Nam said to his friend, “Don’t shut the door.”

→ Nam asked his friend not to shut the door.

**d. Câu cảm thán (Exclamation)**

Câu cảm thán bắt đầu bằng *What + (a/an) .../ hoặc How + ...!* thường được thuật lại bằng động từ *exclaim/ say that*.

**Ví dụ:** What a lovely garden!

→ She exclaimed/ said that it was a lovely garden.

Or She exclaimed/ said that the garden was lovely.

## **BÀI TẬP VẬN DỤNG**

**Exercise 1: Change into reported speech: normal type.**

1. Nam said, “I was at school after 7 o’clock last night.”

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2. Thu said, “All the students will have a meeting next week.”

→

3. Phong said, “My parents are very proud of my good marks”

→

4. The teacher said, “All the homework must be done carefully”

→

5. Her brother said to her “You can go to the movie with your friend”

→

6. Hoa said, “I may visit my parents in the summer”

→

7. The teacher said, “We can collect old books for the poor students”

→

8. She said, “My mother doesn’t buy this book”

→

9. The boys said, “We have to try our best to win the match”

→

10. Her classmate said “Lan is the most intelligent girl in our class”

**Exercise 2: Change into reported speech: normal type.**

1. They told us “Our friends will get the award for their highest scores”

→

2. He said “I will go to school by bus tomorrow”

→

3. Phong said "I need to learn more vocabulary"

→

4. His brother told him "You can use my computer today"

→

5. Mai said "I cannot go to the movies with you, Nam"

→

6. Tom said "I have already had breakfast, so I am not hungry"

→

7. I said to Nick "You don't have to do it right now. You can do it tomorrow"

→

8. He said to them "Your supervisor will be here in five minutes."

→

9. She said to me "I want to lend you my bike, but my brother has broken it yesterday. I'm so sorry."

→

10. Mother said to me "The sun rises in the East."

→

**Exercise 3: Change into reported speech: question: yes/no question.**

1. "Do you enjoy reading?" Phong asked Peter

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2. "Does she like sports?" Hoa asked Lan

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3. "Do your sister and brother go to the same school?" She asked Nam

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4. "Are there some oranges in the fridge?" She asked her mom

→

5. "Will it rain tomorrow morning?" He asked his friend

→

6. "Did you go to Hue three years ago?" Tam asked Peter

→

7. "Are Tam and Hoa late for class?" Tuan asked Lan

→

8. She said to me, "Can you speak Chinese?"

→

9. "Will she be here for five days?" Tam asked Thu

→

10. "Were you reading this book at 8 o'clock last Sunday?" She asked Ba

→

**Exercise 4: Change into reported speech: question: wh-question.**

1. "Where does your father work?" The teacher asked me

2. "How many people are there in your family?" She asked Lan

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3. Tam's friend asked him "How long will you stay in England?"

→

4. "How many oranges are there in the fridge?" Tam asked Lien

→

5. The teacher said to Lien, "What is your hobby?"

→

6. "How do you go to the airport?" His friend asked him

→

7. "How much does this dress cost?" Lan asked Mai  
→
8. Ba asked Tam, "How often do you wash your clothes?"  
→
9. "When will your father leave Vietnam for USA?" Phong asked Thu  
→
10. "How many books do the students need?" The librarian asked my teacher  
→

**Exercise 5: Change into reported speech: request.**

1. Teacher to John "Write that exercise carefully"  
Teachers requested
2. Mrs. Green said "Please sing at our party, Mary"  
Mrs. Green invited
3. Teacher to John "Be careful. Think before you answer"  
Teachers requested
4. Tom "Read my exercise, John, and tell me if it is correct"  
Tom requested
5. She said to him, "Give me another glass of wine"  
She requested
6. "It is cold here, is the window open?" He asked me.  
He requested
7. The pupil said "Teacher, give us better marks, please"  
The pupil requested
8. "What a dirty face you have!" Ann said to her son.  
Ann requested
9. "Don't come back before one o'clock" advised my brother  
My brother advised
10. "Can you tell me where the bus station is" she said to me  
She asked

**Exercise 6: Change into reported speech: request.**

1. "It is a very nice evening. Why don't we go out for a walk?" Mrs. Brown suggested  
→
2. "Why don't we come to visit our teacher today?" he said (suggest)  
→
3. "My advice to you is to do morning exercises" she said (advise)  
→
4. "Be modest if you are a good pupil" said my father  
→
5. "Don't forget to send your parents my regards" she said to me.  
→
6. "Have you got shampoo, Alice? I must wash my hair." Johnny asked  
→
7. "Do as I tell you or you will be punished. I will teach you who the master in this house is," he said.  
→
8. "I shouldn't do that if I were you. Isn't it very dangerous" he said  
→
9. Mary said, "I cannot go to the movie with you, John"  
→
10. "Shut the door but don't lock it" she said to us.

**ANSWER KEY****Exercise 1: Change into reported speech: normal type.**

1. Nam said he was at school after 7 o'clock the last night.
2. Thu said all the students would have a meeting the following week.
3. Phong said his parents were very proud of his good marks.
4. The teacher said all the homework must be done carefully.
5. Her brother told her that she can go to the movie with her friend.
6. Hoa said she may visit her parents in the summer.
7. The teacher said they could collect old books for the poor students.
8. She said her mother didn't buy that book.
9. The boys said they had to try their best to win the match.
10. Her classmate said Lan was the most intelligent girl in her class.

**Exercise 2: Change into reported speech: normal type.**

1. They told us their friends would get the award for their highest scores.
2. He said he would go to school by bus the following day.
3. Phong said he needed to learn more vocabulary.
4. His brother told him he could use his computer that day.
5. Mai said she could not go to the movies with Nam.
6. Tom said he had already had breakfast, so he was not hungry.
7. I told Nick that he didn't have to do it right then. He could do it the next day.
8. He told them that their supervisor would be there in five minutes.
9. She told me that she wanted to lend me her bike, but her brother had broken it the day before. She was so sorry.
10. My mother told me the sun rises in the East.

**Exercise 3: Change into reported speech: question: yes/no question.**

1. Phong asked if Peter enjoyed reading.
2. Hoa asked Lan if she liked sports.
3. She asked Nam if his sister and brother went to the same school.
4. She asked her mom if there were some oranges in the fridge.
5. He asked his friend if it rained the following day morning.
6. Tam asked if Peter had gone to Hue three years ago.
7. Tuan asked Lan if Tam and Hoa were late for class.
8. She asked me if I could speak Chinese.
9. Tam asked Thu if she would be there for five days.
10. She asked Ba if he was reading this book at 8 o'clock the last Sunday.

**Exercise 4: Change into reported speech: question: wh-question.**

1. The teacher asked me where my father worked.
2. She asked Lan how many people there were in her family.
3. Tam's friend asked him how long he would stay in England.
4. Tam asked Lien how many oranges there were in the fridge.
5. The teacher asked Lien what her hobby was.
6. His friend asked him how he went to the airport.
7. Lan asked Mai how much that dress cost
8. Ba asked Tam how often she washed her clothes.
9. Phong asked Thu when her father would leave Vietnam for USA.
10. The librarian asked my teacher how many books the students needed.

**Exercise 5: Change into reported speech: request.**

1. Teachers requested John to write that exercise carefully.
2. Mrs. Green invited Mary to sing at her party.
3. Teachers requested John to be careful and think before he answered.
4. Tom requested John to read his exercise and tell him if it was correct.
5. She requested him to give her another glass of wine.
6. He requested me to close the window.
7. The pupil requested teacher to give them better marks.

8. Ann requested her son to wash his face.
9. My brother advised me not to come back before one o'clock.
10. She asked me to tell her where the bus station was.

**Exercise 6: Change into reported speech: request.**

1. Mrs. Brown suggested going out for a walk.
2. He suggested coming to visit their teacher that day.
3. She advised me to do morning exercises.
4. My father required me to be modest.
5. She reminded me of sending my parents her regards.
6. Johnny asked Alice for shampoo.
7. He asked me to do as he told me or I would be punished. He would teach me who the master in that house was.
8. He advised me not to that.
9. Mary refused to go to the movie with John.
10. She asked us to shut the door but don't lock it.

**A. BÀI KIỂM TRA ĐÁNH GIÁ NĂNG LỰC**

**I. Choose the letter A, B, C, D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.**

- Question 1.** The visitor asked me where I \_\_\_\_\_ from.  
A. come                      B. coming                      C. to come                      D. came
- Question 2.** Ms. Nga wanted to know what time \_\_\_\_\_  
A. the movie began                      B. the movie begins  
C. does the movie begin                      D. did the movie begin
- Question 3.** Mary said she \_\_\_\_\_ there the day before.  
A. is                      B. had been                      C. will be                      D. would be
- Question 4.** Mai asked Quang \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. when he will come back                      B. when he would come back  
C. when he comes back                      D. when he is coming back
- Question 5.** She told me \_\_\_\_\_ her up at six o'clock.  
A. please pick                      B. to pick                      C. should pick                      D. I can pick
- Question 6.** Hung said that his girlfriend and he \_\_\_\_\_ married \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. were getting / tomorrow                      B. are getting / the next day  
C. were getting/ the next day                      D. will get/ the day after
- Question 7.** He asked me when \_\_\_\_\_ there.  
A. did you arrive                      B. will you arrive  
C. I had arrived                      D. I will arrive
- Question 8.** Mr. David said \_\_\_\_\_ her the night before.  
A. I didn't see                      B. I hadn't seen                      C. he didn't see                      D. he hadn't seen
- Question 9.** Julia said that she \_\_\_\_\_ there at noon.  
A. is going to be                      B. was going to be                      C. will be                      D. can be
- Question 10.** Tom \_\_\_\_\_ that his mother was in hospital  
A. told me                      B. told to me                      C. said me                      D. asked me

**II. Choose the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction.**

- Question 11.** I (A) asked him how far (B) was it from my school to the post office (C) if I went there (D) by taxi.
- Question 12.** They asked me (A) that I (B) could do (C) some shopping (D) with them.
- Question 13.** Her mother (A) told her (B) do not go out with (C) him the day (D) before.
- Question 14.** She said (A) that the books (B) in the library (C) would be available (D) tomorrow.
- Question 15.** He (A) asked her (B) thinking about that example (C) again because it needed (D) correcting.

**III. Rewrite the following sentences in reported speech.**

**Question 16.** The teacher said to Nam "Come into my office, please".

→ The teacher told \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 17.** "I want to go shopping with you this afternoon", Nga said to her brother.

→ Nga said to \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 18.** "My sister wants to be a singer" said he.

→ He said \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 19.** “I will buy a new bike next week”, she said.

→ She said \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 20.** “I don’t know what Mai is doing now”, she said.

→ She said \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 21.** “Don’t forget to send your parents my regards”, Lan said.

→ Lan told \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 22.** Mary said “I can go to the movies with you, John”

→ Mary said to \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 23.** Linh said to her friend “Turn off the light before going out”

→ Linh asked \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 24.** I said to him “Stay at home”

→ I told \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 25.** My mother said to the kids “Stop fighting”

→ My mother told \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 26.** The teacher said “Don’t make noise in the class”

→ The teacher asked me \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 27.** “I can speak English well” said his mother.

→ His mother said \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 28.** The child said to the beggar “Are you very poor?”

→ The child asked \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 29.** He said to Lan “I will visit Ha Long Bay”

→ He said to \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 30.** The police asked “Where did you stay last night?”

→ The police asked \_\_\_\_\_

**B.****ANSWER KEY****Question 1.**

Cấu trúc: S + asked (+O) + từ để hỏi + S + V (lùi thì) ... (WH-questions in reported speech)

Lời nói trực tiếp: "Where do you come from?", the visitor asked me.

⇒ **Đáp án D**

**Question 2.**

Cấu trúc: S + wanted to know + từ để hỏi + S + V (lùi thì) ...

Lời nói trực tiếp: "What time does the movie begin?" Ms.Nga asked.

⇒ **Đáp án A**

**Question 3.**

Cấu trúc: S + said (+that) + S + V(lùi thì)... (Statements in reported speech)

Lời nói trực tiếp: "I was here yesterday", Mary said.

Trong câu này, thì của động từ được chuyển thành quá khứ hoàn thành; *here* chuyển thành *there*, *yesterday* chuyển thành *the day before*.

⇒ **Đáp án B**

**Question 4.**

Cấu trúc: S + asked (+O) + từ để hỏi + S + V (lùi thì) ... (WH-questions in reported speech)

Lời nói trực tiếp: "When will you come back?", Mai asked Quang.

⇒ **Đáp án B**

**Question 5.**

Cấu trúc: S + told/ asked + O + to V... (Requests/ Commands in reported speech)

Lời nói trực tiếp: "Please pick me up at six o'clock", she said.

⇒ **Đáp án B**

**Question 6.**

Cấu trúc: S + said (+that) + S + V(lùi thì)... (Statements in reported speech)

Lời nói trực tiếp: "My girlfriend and I are getting married tomorrow", Hung said.

⇒ **Đáp án C**

**Question 7.**

Cấu trúc: S + asked (+O) + từ để hỏi + S + V (lùi thì) ... (WH-questions in reported speech)

Lời nói trực tiếp: "When did you arrive here?" he asked me.

⇒ **Đáp án C**

**Question 8.**

Cấu trúc: S + said (+that) + S + V(lùi thì)... (Statements in reported speech)

Lời nói trực tiếp: "I didn't see her last night", Mr. David said.

⇒ **Đáp án D**

**Question 9.**

Cấu trúc: S + said (+that) + S + V(lùi thì)... (Statements in reported speech)

Lời nói trực tiếp: "I am going to be here at noon", Julia said.

⇒ **Đáp án B**

**Question 10.**

Cấu trúc: S + said to O/ told O + that + S + V(lùi thì)... (Statements in reported speech)

B sai vì thừa *to*; C sai vì thiếu *to* sau *said*; D sai vì đây là câu trần thuật nên động từ được sử dụng là *said/told*.

⇒ **Đáp án A**

**Question 11.**

Cấu trúc: S + asked (+O) + từ để hỏi + S + V (lùi thì) ... (WH-questions in reported speech)

Trong lời nói tường thuật, không có đảo ngữ sau các từ để hỏi.

⇒ **Đáp án B (was it => it was)**

**Question 12.**

Cấu trúc: S + asked (+O) + if/whether + S + V (lùi thì) ... (Yes/No questions in reported speech)

⇒ **Đáp án A (that => if/ whether)**

**Question 13.**

Cấu trúc: S + told/asked + O + (not) to V ... (Requests/ Commands in reported speech)

⇒ **Đáp án B (do not go => not to go)**

**Question 14.**

Trong lời nói tường thuật thì đại từ, tính từ sở hữu và trạng từ sẽ thay đổi tương ứng. Do đó, trong câu này thì *tomorrow* được chuyển thành *the next day/ the following day/ the day after*.

⇒ **Đáp án D (tomorrow => the next day/ the following day/ the day after)**

**Question 15.**



Cấu trúc: S + told/asked + O + (not) to V ... (Requests/ Commands in reported speech)

⇒ **Đáp án B (thinking => to think)**

**Question 16.** The teacher told Nam to come into his/her office.

**Question 17.** Nga said to her brother (that) she wanted to go shopping with him that afternoon.

**Question 18.** He said (that) his sister wanted to be a singer.

**Question 19.** She said (that) she would buy a new bike the next week/ the week after/ the following week.

**Question 20.** She said (that) she didn't know what Mai was doing then.

**Question 21.** Lan told me not to forget to send my parents her regards.

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**Question 28.** The child asked the beggar if/ whether she/he was very poor.

**Question 29.** He said to Lan (that) he would visit Ha Long Bay.

**Question 30.** The police asked (me) where I had stayed the night before.