

Grammar

(i) Direct Speech

• When changing sentences from direct to indirect speech, the following words also change.

today	that day
now	then
yesterday	the previous day
tomorrow	the following or next day
next week	the following week
last week	the previous week
this or these	that or those
	would
	there
	they or them
	he or she

The tense also changes:

present simple present continuous present perfect present perfect continuous past simple past continuous	past simple past continuous past perfect past perfect continuous past perfect past perfect

- The librarian said, "Girls, you can borrow any book you want."
- "Can I help you carry the luggage?" Tom asked the lady.
- "My son, you have to work hard," said the mother. 3.
- "We are the winners today!" shouted the children.
- "This flower is very beautiful," said Angela. 5.
- The club patron said, "We need to recruit new members."
- Mutisya said, "Last week I borrowed a library book." 6. 7.
- "Please, stop making noise," mother told the children.
- "Yesterday we visited the museum," said Cecilia. 9.
- 10. Omondi asked Atieno, "Where will you go tomorrow?"
- 11. "I know I can be a great musician," said Mathenge.
- 12. The shepherd exclaimed, "Seven ewes have given birth this week!"
- 13. "We are watching television because we have already done our homework the twin sisters said.
- 14. The teacher asked, "Why has Caleb been misbehaving this week?"
- 15. "I play in our school team occasionally," said Joseph.
- "What did the frog tell the cow?" asked Grandmother.
- 17. Prof. Wangari Maathai said "I think Kenyans have realized the importance trees now."
- 18. Chepchumba said, "The Earth goes round the sun."
- 19. The librarian said, "These shelves are dirty and the books are torn."
- 20. "Pupils, you may borrow these books next week," said the librarian.