

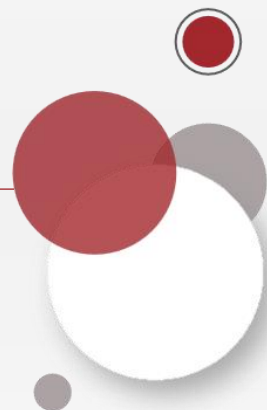


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# Lesson 12

## A) Reported Speech



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Reported speech is used to say what someone else said.

### Direct

They want a re-match.

"We won!"

"She's renewed her passport"

I must go.

### Indirect (Reported)

They said they wanted a re-match.

They shouted they had won.

She said she had renewed her passport.

He said he had to go.



Tenses usually change:

from: present	to	past simple
will	to	would
past simple and present perfect	to	past perfect
can	to	could
may	to	might
must	to	had to

could, might, should stay the same.



Write the sentences below in reported speech.

Eg. "I'm tired."

He said that he was tired.

1) "I don't like rock music."

She told him.....

2) "I'll book a table."

He said.....

3) "I've bought a new car."

Paul told us.....

4) "I live in Turin."

She said that she.....

5) "We can do it."

They said that .....

6) "I saw the film on TV."

John said that .....



For questions:

The verb tenses change as above.

When the question begins with a verb (not a question word), add *if* or *whether*

Eg.

Do you want to play tennis?      He asked her if she wanted to play tennis.

The word order changes to    subject + verb



## With Questions:

Eg. "Do you want to dance? "

He asked me if I wanted to dance.

1) "Do you like basketball?"

John asked me if I .....

2) "Are you tired?"

She asked me .....

3) "Have you been to New York?"

I asked them.....

4) "Can you swim?"

She asked him.....



# Answers:

- 1) liked
- 2) if/whether I was tired
- 3) if /whether/ they had been
- 4) if/whether he could





Eg.

Where do you live?                      She asked me where I lived.

For imperatives: use told or asked + person + infinitive with to

Eg.

"Be quiet"	The teacher told us to be quiet.
"Don't stop"	The instructor told him not to stop.



## Question Words:

- 1) "What music do you like?"
- 2) "Where did you live before?"
- 3) "Where are you from?"
- 4) "When do you play football?"

I asked her what music.....

He asked me.....

I asked him.....

She asked him.....



## Answers:

- 1) she liked
- 2) where I lived
- 3) where he was from
- 4) when did he play



# Said/Told



Both can be used in reported speech.

Say something (no object or pronouns).

He said he loved her.

**NOT:** He said her he loved her.

Tell someone something.

Tell must have an object. He told her that he loved her.

**NOT:** He told that he loved her.



That is the end of lesson 12.

Next lesson:

- A) Articles
- B) Pronouns
- C) Possessives

