

Reporting verbs

<p>1- Say pattern: Same as "say" <u>Subject + reporting verb + (that) + clause</u></p> <p>He said that <u>he would come to the party.</u> He complained that <u>there wasn't enough food.</u> He demanded that <u>we give him the money.</u></p> <p>Common verbs of this type:</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>admit</td><td>explain</td></tr> <tr><td>advise*</td><td>insist*</td></tr> <tr><td>agree</td><td>mention</td></tr> <tr><td>announce</td><td>promise*</td></tr> <tr><td>claim</td><td>propose*</td></tr> <tr><td>complain</td><td>say</td></tr> <tr><td>confess*</td><td>suggest*</td></tr> <tr><td>confirm</td><td>warn*</td></tr> <tr><td>declare</td><td>demand</td></tr> </table> <p>* also used with other patterns - see below</p>	admit	explain	advise*	insist*	agree	mention	announce	promise*	claim	propose*	complain	say	confess*	suggest*	confirm	warn*	declare	demand	<p>2- Tell pattern: Same as "tell" <u>Subject + reporting verb + direct object + (that) + clause.</u></p> <p>He told me that <u>he would come to the party.</u> He warned me that <u>the teacher was watching.</u> He assured me that <u>everything would be ok.</u></p> <p>Common verbs of this type:</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>advise</td><td>promise</td></tr> <tr><td>assure</td><td>remind</td></tr> <tr><td>convince</td><td>tell</td></tr> <tr><td>inform</td><td>warn</td></tr> <tr><td>notify</td><td></td></tr> </table>	advise	promise	assure	remind	convince	tell	inform	warn	notify	
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<p>3. Reporting actions: Promises requests etc. <u>Subject + reporting verb + infinitive with to</u> <u>Common verbs of this type:</u> He promised to help with the cleaning. He refused to stop the car. He threatened to tell my parents.</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>agree</td><td>promise</td></tr> <tr><td>ask</td><td>propose</td></tr> <tr><td>claim</td><td>refuse</td></tr> <tr><td>demand</td><td>threaten</td></tr> <tr><td>offer</td><td>tell (imperative)</td></tr> </table> <p><u>Subject + reporting verb + object + infinitive with to</u> He encouraged me to take maths instead of history. She persuaded me to help her.</p> <p>Common verbs of this type</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>advise</td><td>order</td></tr> <tr><td>ask</td><td>persuade</td></tr> <tr><td>beg</td><td>remind</td></tr> <tr><td>convince</td><td>tell</td></tr> <tr><td>encourage</td><td>urge</td></tr> <tr><td>forbid</td><td>warn (not to)</td></tr> <tr><td>instruct</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>invite</td><td></td></tr> </table>	agree	promise	ask	propose	claim	refuse	demand	threaten	offer	tell (imperative)	advise	order	ask	persuade	beg	remind	convince	tell	encourage	urge	forbid	warn (not to)	instruct		invite		<p>4. Reporting verbs with gerund. <u>Subject + reporting verb + gerund</u> He admitted killing the man. He denied stealing the money. She reported seeing a bright light in the sky.</p> <p>admit deny mention propose report suggest</p> <p>Verbs with prepositions and gerund: <u>Subject + reporting verb + preposition + gerund</u> He insisted on carrying my bag. She objected to having to wash the dishes.</p> <p>Accuse sb of doing st Confess to doing something Apologise to sb about/for doing st Blame sb for st Complain to sb about st Insist on doing st Object to st/doing st</p>		
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