

WORKSHEET 26

SUBJECT : Reported Speech

A) Change the following sentences from DIRECT to INDIRECT SPEECH:

1. He said, "*I will be here at noon.*"
He said that he would be here at noon.
2. Mary said, "The train will probably arrive on time."
.....
3. He said, "I have to finish this report by five o'clock."
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4. The doctor said, "Mr. Smith will improve quickly."
.....
5. William said to me, "I am leaving in the morning."
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6. The teacher said, "Everyone has to write a composition."
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7. John said, "I saw that movie on Wednesday."
.....
8. Helen said, "I have read that book."
.....
9. Mary said to John, "I cannot go to the movie with you."
.....
10. John said, "I have finished studying my lesson."
.....
11. Mary remarked, "John speaks English well."
.....
12. William said to me, "I will not see Mr. Jones until Tuesday."
.....
13. Mr. Smith said, "I will refuse their offer."
.....
14. John said, "I certainly hope it won't rain tomorrow."
.....
15. Henry said, "I can meet them later."
.....
16. The boy said, "I am only eight years old."
.....
17. She said to me, "The lights have gone out."
.....
18. The man said, "The telephone is out of order."
.....
19. He said, "I will never speak to her again."
.....
20. I said to the clerk clearly, "I have already paid that bill."
.....

B) REPORT what the guests said at a wedding last Saturday:

1. Miss Moore: "They'll make a lovely couple."
Miss Moore said (that) they would make a lovely couple.
2. Mr. Smith: "They're going to live in Brighton."
.....
3. Mrs. Jones: "The bride and the groom are very nice young people."
.....
4. Mr. Roberts: "The bride is wearing a beautiful wedding dress."
.....
5. Mr. Clarke: "The couple's parents look happy."
.....
6. Miss Mayall: "The bride's father has bought them a big flat."
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C) Write sentences about Jane's trip to Paris:

1. We're taking the nine o'clock plane.
Jane told me *they were taking the nine o'clock plane.*
2. I'll have to get up early.
She said
3. I don't really like traveling by air.
She told me
4. But it's the easiest way to travel.
But she decided
5. We're going to spend a week in Paris.
She told me
6. I want to go up the Eiffel Tower.
She said
7. We've been to Paris before.
She told me
8. But we didn't see everything.
But she said
9. I'll send you a postcard.
She said
10. But I won't write you a letter.
But she told me
11. I'm very excited!
She said
12. We'll be in Paris tomorrow!
The last thing she said was that

D) REPORT the police-officer's questions to the shop owner:

1. What's your name?
The police-officer asked him what his name was.
2. Did you see the robbers?
.....
3. What were they wearing?
.....
4. How do you think they got in?
.....

5. What did they take?
.....
6. Has this ever happened before?
.....

D) Turn the following dialogue into REPORTED SPEECH:

Sally: Have you applied for the job?	<i>Sally asked Diane if she had applied for the job</i>
Diane: Yes, I had an interview yesterday.	<i>Diane told her</i>
Sally: How did it go?	.....
Diane: Fine, but I'm wondering if I want	.....
the job because I will have to move	.....
to Manchester.	.....
Sally: What will you do then?	.....
Diane: If they offer me the job, I can't	.....
accept it.	.....

E) Write what the family said at the dinner table:

1. Mother: "Does anyone want some more potatoes?"
Mother asked if anyone wanted some more potatoes.
2. Father: "Pass me the wine, Beth."
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3. Beth: "The chicken is very nice."
.....
4. Grandfather: "I'm going to start my diet tomorrow."
.....
5. Grandmother: "Don't eat with your mouth open, Sam!"
.....
6. Tim: "This is the best dinner I've had!"
.....
7. Jean: "Is there any more salad, Mum?"
.....
8. Sam: "I'm very hungry because I only had a sandwich for lunch today."
.....
9. Helen: "What are we having for dessert, Mum?"
.....
10. Bob: "I don't want anything else to eat."
.....

F) Gavin has worked for Bisco Supermarkets for thirty years. He can still remember his job interview after leaving school and he can remember the questions that the interview asked him:

Example: "Where do you live?"	<i>She asked him where he lived.</i>
"Have you worked before?"	<i>She asked him if he had worked before.</i>
1. "Why do you want the job?"	.....
She asked him	
2. "How did you hear about it?"	.....
She asked him	
3. "Are you fit?"	.....
She asked him	

4. "Can you work on Saturdays?"
She asked him
5. "How will you travel to work?"
.....
6. "Have you got a bicycle?"
.....
7. "How much do you expect to earn?"
.....
8. "When can you start?"
.....

G) What does the policeman want to know?

1. What's your name?
The policeman wants to know what my name is.
2. What's your job?
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3. Where do you work?
.....
4. Where do you live?
.....
5. Where were you yesterday?
.....
6. Why are you in London?
.....
7. When did you come?
.....
8. How did you come?
.....
9. Where's your ticket?
.....
10. Have you ever been in London?
.....
11. Do you know anyone in London?
.....
12. Were you in London last month?
.....
13. Are you telling the truth?
.....

H) Tell your family what the doctor said:

1. "You really ought to stay in bed."
He said I ought to stay in bed.
2. "But you can get up for half an hour."
.....
3. "You can leave here on Thursday."
.....
4. "You ought to take some exercise."
.....
5. "But you shouldn't walk too much."
.....
6. "You mustn't run at all."
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WORKSHEET 27

SUBJECT : *Reported Speech*

A) Statements:

Example: *The boy said, "My name is Mark."*
The boy said (that) his name was Mark.

Do the same:

1. Mary said, "I like Turkish pop music."
.....
2. The woman said, "It's not my umbrella, mine is red."
.....
3. Tom said, "I have a sports car. It is red."
.....
4. Mr. Brown said, "I don't drive a car in the rush hour."
.....
5. Terry said, "I eat toasts for breakfast. They are made by my mother."
.....
6. Sue said, "The boy is looking at us. I don't know him."
.....
7. John said, "I can swim well but I don't have enough time to swim."
.....
8. My brother said to me, "I don't want to carry your books!"
.....
9. The teacher said, "If you don't study regularly, you'll fail."
.....
10. Mr. Green said, "I have to water my flowers twice a week."
.....
11. Alice said, "I used to swim well but now I don't."
.....
12. Mr. Miller said, "I know your parents. I've met them in the meeting."
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B) Imperatives:

Examples: * *The teacher always says to us, "Study very hard."*
The teacher always tells us TO study hard.

* *The teacher says, "Don't talk in the class."*
The teacher tells us NOT TO talk in the class.

Do the same:

1. Woman to the porter: "Carry my suitcases."
.....
2. Policeman to a man: "Describe your car."
.....
3. Mother to the boy: "Don't hurt yourself."
.....
4. The robber to the man: "Give me your money."
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5. Teacher to the student: "Give me your book."
.....
6. The man to us: "Don't park here."
.....
7. Woman to her husband: "Don't forget to take your key."
.....
8. Mr. Smith to her son: "Don't put your books on this desk."
.....
9. Young man to the young woman: "Give me one of your photographs."
.....
10. The man to his son: "Hurry up! Don't miss the bus!"
.....
11. The woman to her daughter: "Tidy your room, don't waste your time."
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C) Wh- questions:

Examples: * *"What is the time?" he asked.*
He asked me what the time was.

* *"Where do you live?" he asked Mary.*
How wanted to know where Mary lived.

Do the same:

1. He asked, "How long does it take you to have lunch?"
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2. He asked me, "What are you doing at the weekend?"
.....
3. She asked, "Why are you late, Tom?"
.....
4. My mother asked me, "Where is your umbrella?"
.....
5. The secretary asked the man, "Who do you want to see, sir?"
.....
6. The students asked, "What time does the bell ring?"
.....
7. He asked Tom, "What kind of films do you like watching?"
.....
8. The teacher asked the girl, "When do you have to be home?"
.....
9. They always asked, "Why don't you let my cat in?"
.....
10. The passengers asked, "When did the last train leave?"
.....
11. He asked, "What will you do tomorrow, Jane?"
.....

D) Yes / No questions:

Examples: * *“Are you busy?” he asked me.*
He asked me IF I was busy.

* *“Do you like banana?” he asked his friends.*
He asked his friends IF they liked banana.

Do the same:

1. She asked, “Do you live with your family, Helen?”
.....
2. He asked, “Can I borrow your pen, Linda?”
.....
3. He asked me, “Does your uncle live in England?”
.....
4. Mary asked Lucy, “Will you come to my party tomorrow?”
.....
5. Mark asked, “Did you phone me last night, John?”
.....
6. He asked, “Is this yours or mine, David?”
.....
7. She always asked me, “Must you always ask me what I’m doing?”
.....
8. The teacher asked, “Are you listening to me?”
.....
9. Mary asked, “Do you want me to help you, Larry?”
.....
10. The officer asked, “Are you a foreigner? Can you spell your name?”
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E) Change into INDIRECT SPEECH:

1. Bob says, “I want to play tennis this afternoon.”
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2. John says, “I haven’t seen my grandmother for a long time.”
.....
3. Cindy says to Alan, “Don’t come in with your dirty shoes.”
.....
4. My father says, “Please, help me in the garden.”
.....
5. “Don’t wipe your dirty fingers on my clean table cloth.” says his mother.
.....
6. “When does the bell ring?” asks John.
.....
7. Sandy asks Danny, “Why didn’t you tell her the truth?”
.....
8. “How long have you waited for me?”
What does Charles ask Fiona?
.....
9. “Does it rain in winter in Somali?”
What does the teacher ask?
.....
10. “Did you post the letter?” asks Rachel.
.....

F) Change into INDIRECT SPEECH:

You can use AND, BUT, BECAUSE, ADD to join the sentences.

1. Brenda said to Jimmy, "Please, turn off the TV. The film is boring."
.....
2. "Wash your face and say GOOD MORNING to everybody." says his mother.
.....
3. "Do your homework again. There are a lot of mistakes." says the teacher to Kate.
.....
4. "Don't waste your time! Finish studying." says Mrs. Dawson to Barbara.
.....
5. "Brush your teeth. They look very dirty." Her mother says to her.
.....
6. "Look out! There is a truck coming." Kevin said to his daughter.
.....
7. Janet told David, "This book looks boring. Give me another, please."
.....
8. Mrs. Abbot told Jack, "Your hair is very long. Go and have a hair cut."
.....
9. Mrs. Denman says to her son, "It is very hot. Don't play in the sun."
.....
10. Mr. Newman said to Nicky, "Don't make a lot of noise. I want to listen to the news."
.....
11. "Don't turn it up. I have a headache." says the mother.
.....
12. Sue told Andy, "Don't shout! I'm not a deaf."
.....
13. Terry said to Ashley, "Don't speak German. Speak English. They can't understand you."
.....
14. "Please, be quiet! The baby is sleeping." says Mrs. Newton to the children.
.....
15. "Will you please move aside? I can't watch television." says John.
.....
16. Mark said, "I want to buy a new car. Ours is very old and spends a lot of petrol."
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17. Tom said to Carol, "Can I borrow your dictionary. Mine is at home."
.....
18. "Your hands are very dirty. Go to the bathroom and wash them." says her mother.
.....
19. Sandy said to Danny, "Does your mother work? I see her on the bus everyday."
.....
20. Tom told Jane, "I'm bored. Can we go to the cinema?"
.....
21. Sam said to Kate, "I'm broke. Can you lend me some money?"
.....
22. Mother said to her son, "Your friends are playing in the garden. Don't you want to play with them?"
.....
23. Jim says to his son, "When will you go? You are very late for school."
.....
24. "What have you cooked? I feel very hungry." Tony said to his mother.
.....
25. "Why don't you wash your car? It looks very dirty." Mrs. Dawson said to John.
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