



USE REPORTED SPEECH



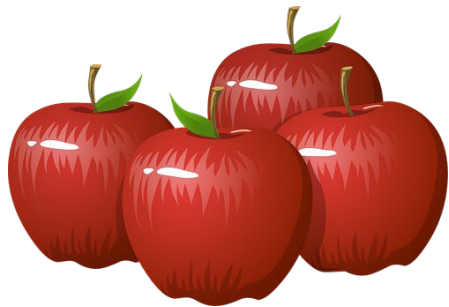
Reported Speech

What is reported speech?

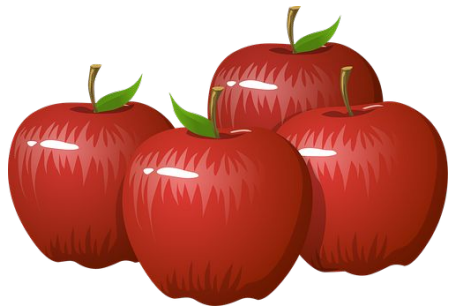
To express what another
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“I like apples” she said



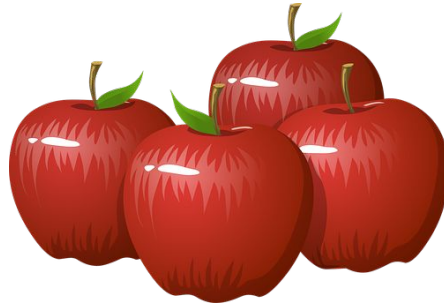
She said that she liked apples



 Say	 Decide	 Offer
 Tell	 Deny	 Promise
 Ask (Q)	 Encourage	 Recommend
 Admit	 Explain	 Suggest
 Advise	 Insist	
 Agree	 Invite	
 Claim	 Mention	

Present simple → Past simple

“I **like** apples”
she said



She said that
she **liked**
apples

Present simple → Past simple

“I like apples” she said

She said that she liked apples

Present simple → Past simple

“I like apples” she said

She said that she liked apples

Present simple → Past simple

“I like apples” she said

She said  she liked apples

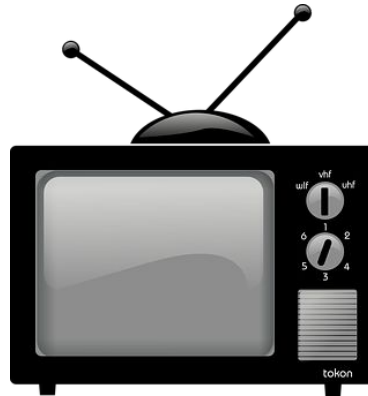
Present simple → Past simple

“I watch TV” he said

He said that he watched TV

Present continuous → Past continuous

“I **am watching**
TV” he said



He said that he
was watching
TV

Will → Would

“We **will go** to
the shops” they
said



They said that
they **would go**
to the shops

Present perfect → past perfect

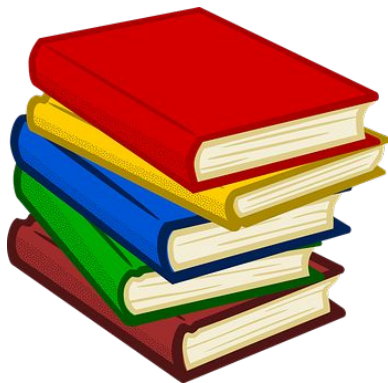
“I **have visited**
France” she
said



She said that
she **had**
visited France

Present perfect continuous → past perfect continuous

“I have been
reading this
book” he said



He said that he
had been
reading that
book

Past simple → past perfect

“I **went** to town
yesterday” she
said



She said that
she **had gone**
to town the
day before

Past perfect

“I **had gone** to
town before
that” she said

She said that
she **had gone**
to town before
that



Can → could

“I **can't** dance”
he said



He said that he
couldn't dance

Might → may

“I **might** see
you later” he
said



He said that he
may see me
later

Must → Had to

“We **must**
finish our
homework”
they said



They said that
they **had to**
finish their
homework

-  Pronouns
-  Determiners
-  Time Phrases

“We must finish our homework” they said



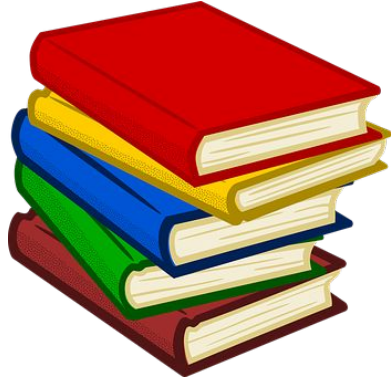
They said that they had to finish their homework

“I might see **you** later” **he**
said



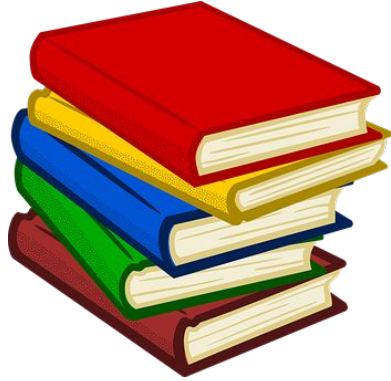
He said that **he** may see
me later

“I have been reading **this**
book” he said



He said that he had been
reading **that** book

“I have been reading **these**
books” he said



He said that he had been
reading **those** books

“Is she **here**?” she asked



She asked me if she was
there

1) Tense

“Is she here?” she asked

She asked me if she was there

2) Pronouns/time phrases

“Is she **here**?” she asked

She asked me if she was **there**

3) Question structure

“Is she here?” she asked



She asked me if she was there

“Is she here?” she asked

She asked me whether she was there



“Have you visited the UK?” He asked



He asked me if I had visited the UK

“Where have you been?” They asked

They asked me where I had been



“Who is this?” He asked



He asked me who that was



“Sit down!”

He told me to sit down



“Sit down!”

He told me to sit down



“Sit down!”

He told me to sit down



“Wait!”

She told them to wait



“Don’t wait!”

She told them **not** to wait



“Could you open the door?”

She asked me to open the door



“Could you open the door?”

She asked me to open the door



“Could you open the door?”

She asked me to open the door



“Could you open the door?”

She asked me to open the door

When using indirect reported speech,
time phrases need to be changed.

today



I saw her
earlier
today

that day

He said that he had
seen her earlier **that**
day.

tonight



that night

He said that he had
seen her earlier **that**
night.

now



then

He said that he
would see her **then**.

this



that

He said that he
would see her **that**
week.

yesterday



I saw her
yesterday

the day
before

He said that he had
seen her **the day
before.**

The day before
yesterday



two days before

He said that he had
seen her **two days
before.**

last



I saw her
last week

the previous

He said that he had
seen her **the**
previous week.

ago



I saw her
a week
ago

before

He said that he had
seen her **a week
before.**

tomorrow



the next day

He said that he
would see her **the
next day.**

The day after
tomorrow



in two days' time

He said that he
would see her **in two
days' time.**

next



the following

He said that he would see her **the following month.**

in



later

He said that he
would see her **one**
year later.



Practice 1

Report the speech!

1

“I like my phone”



2

“I want some chocolate”



3

“She is reading a book”



4

“They are walking”



5

“We will visit her
tomorrow”



6

“They will go to work”



7

“I have watched that film”



8

“She has been there
before”



⁹ “We have been learning
for months”



¹⁰ “I have been living here
for ages”



11

“We saw her yesterday”



12

“She ran around the park”



13

“We can’t go today”



14

“They can sing very well”



15

“We might see you then”



16

“She might apply for the
job”



17

“She must be home by
10pm”



18

“He must tidy his
bedroom”



19

“I’m watching this film”



20

“We are eating these
chocolates”



21

“Are they here yet?”



22

“Have you visited
London?”



23

“Where did you live last year?”



24

“When will you arrive?”



25

“Listen to this!”



26

“Wait for me!”



27

“Don’t repeat me!”



28

“Don’t shout!”



29

“Could you help me with my homework?”



30

“Could you watch the children later?”





Practice 2

Listen to the audios then report the speech to your teacher

<https://virtually-fluent.com/topic/what-did-they-say/>

1) I am happy today.

1) I am happy today.

She said that she was happy that day

2) Don't wait up for me!

2) Don't wait up for me!

She said not to wait up for her

3) We must finish this project tomorrow

3) We must finish this project tomorrow

She said they had to finish this project the next
day

4) We went to France last week

4) We went to France last week

She said they had gone to France the previous
week

5) I have been learning English for 4 years

5) I have been learning English for 4 years

She said she had been learning English for 4 years

6) We will go to the cinema next week

6) We will go to the cinema next week

She said they would go to the cinema the
following week

7) Do you live here?

7) Do you live here?

She asked if I lived there

8) Why are you watching TV?

8) Why are you watching TV?

She asked why I was watching TV

9) Could you hold the door open, please?

9) Could you hold the door open, please?

She asked me to hold the door open

10) I can't speak French

10) I can't speak French

She said she couldn't speak French

Any questions?





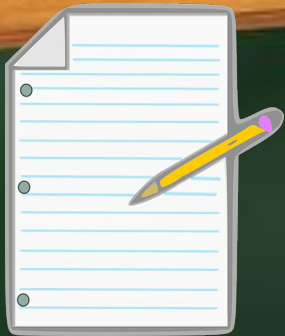
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REVIEW



Reported Speech



HOMEWORK

COMPLETE THE QUIZ

Link: <https://virtually-fluent.com/quizzes/reported-speech-quiz/>