



Practise statements in reported speech!

i We use reported speech to talk about what someone else has said.

Be careful with the tenses! When you report what someone said in the present simple it changes to past simple, the past simple changes to the past perfect, the present continuous changes to past continuous and present perfect changes to past perfect.

Exceptions:

If the statement was made in past perfect, it doesn't change.

You don't change the tenses with a reporting verb in present, future or present perfect tense. For example: She says, "I like reading books." - She says that she likes reading books.

If you express a universal truth or a habitual fact, tenses remain unchanged as well. For example: My mum said, "The sun always rises in the east." - My mum said that the sun always rises in the east.

Be careful: Use the right pronouns! Statement: Robert: "This is my house." - Robert said that that was his house.

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April: I go to football training later. She said that she _____ to football training on Sunday.

- ☐ was
- ☐ go
- ☐ went

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Ben: This morning I have walked my dog. He said that that morning he _____ his dog.

- ☐ had walked
- ☐ has walked
- ☐ had walk

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We had rehearsed the show for three weeks. They said they _____ rehearsed their show for three weeks.



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Lydia: It is snowing all day. Lydia said that it _____ snowing all day.



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I lived in Berlin for many years. Josh told me he _____ in Berlin for many years.

- ☐ had live
- ☐ has lived
- ☐ had lived

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Louise: I love my position as school newspaper journalist. Louise told me that she _____ her position as school newspaper journalist.

- ☐ love
- ☐ loves
- ☐ loved



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Noah: I look forward to my aunt's visit tonight. He said that he looked forward to _____ aunt's visit.



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I have booked our flights! He said that he _____ booked our flights!



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My brother is watching TV all afternoon today. Mira told me that her brother _____ watching TV all afternoon.

- ☐ is
- ☐ were
- ☐ was

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I received a present by post. I told her that I _____ a present by post.

- ☐ have received
- ☐ had received
- ☐ had receive

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Lucy: I ate out last night. She said she had _____ out the night before.



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Paula: I am playing on my computer now. Paula told Ben that she _____ playing on her computer.



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I was lying in bed when it started to snow! He told me that he _____ lying in bed when it had started to snow.

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- ☐ had been
- ☐ has been

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I meet Sandra on Saturdays. Laura said that she _____ Sandra on Saturdays.

- ☐ met
- ☐ meets
- ☐ meet