

**TASK 1**

Transform the following sentences into Reported Speech.

1. "Can I borrow your car, John?", asked Brian.  
Brian asked John if **** his car.  
2. Perhaps he speaks English.  
He might **** English.  
3. "I will never meet Peter again," said Joan.  
Joan was sure that she **** Peter again.  
4, "Where do you come from?", asked Mary.  
Mary asked him **** from.  
5. "Has anyone seen my tennis racket?", I asked.  
I wanted to know if anyone **** my tennis racket.  
6. "Don't buy me any more flowers!", Mary said to John.  
Mary told John **** her any more flowers.  
7. I think you should take an aspirin.  
You had better **** an aspirin.  
8. "May I use your phone?", he asked me.  
He asked if **** my phone.  
9. They probably stopped to do some shopping.  
They may **** to do some shopping.  
10. There are no biscuits left. I am sure Tim ate them.  
Tim must **** the biscuits.

**TASK 2**

Transform the following orders into Reported Speech.

1. "Sit down Tom."   
He told Tom ****.  
2. "Don't go near the sea, children."   
The children's mother warned them **** near the sea.  
3. "Don't be late, Tim."   
Tim's father told him ****.  
4. "Be quiet, children."   
She told the children ****.  
5. "Don't shoot, men!"   
The office ordered the men ****.  
6. "Have your tickets ready, please."   
The inspector told us **** our tickets ready.  
7. "Don't use the phone after eleven o'clock."   
She told us **** the phone after eleven o’clock.  
8. "Leave your keys on the desk, please,"   
The receptionist told us **** our keys on the desk.  
9. "Have your passports ready, please."   
The customs officer told us **** our passports ready.  
10. "Finish the job tonight, please."   
My boss told me **** the job tonight.  
11. "Run!"   
The general ordered the soldiers ****.  
12. "Open the door, please,"   
My mother told me **** the door.  
13. "Don't spend too much money on your holiday."   
My father told me **** too much money on our holiday.  
14. "Hurry up."   
He told me **** up.  
15. "Don't be frightened." she told, me  
She told me ****.

**TASK 3**

Transform the following questions into the questions in Reported Speech.

1. "What time does the film start, Peter?"  
I asked Peter what time the ****.  
2. "Do you watch television every evening, Chris?"  
The interviewer asked Chris if he **** every evening.  
3. "Why did you apply for this job?"  
The sales manager asked me why I **** for that job.  
4. "Are you taking much money with you to France?"  
My bank manager wanted to know if I **** much money with me.  
5. "When will I know the results of the examination?"  
Maria asked the examiner when she **** the results of the examination.  
6. "Are you enjoying your flight?"  
The stewardess asked me if I **** my flight.  
7. "How does the photocopier work?"  
I asked the salesman how the ****.   
8. "Have you ever been to Japan, Paul?"  
She asked Paul if he **** to Japan.  
9. "Does this car belong to you?"  
A policeman asked me if that car **** to me.  
10. 'What time did you get home last night?"  
My parents asked me what time I **** home the night before.

**TASK 4**

Transform the following sentences into Reported Speech.

1.My brother is in hospital. Bob said that **…**

2.I haven’t seen Bob for 5 days. Bob said that **…**

3.I’ve been playing football a lot recently. Bob said that **…**

4.I don’ t know what Chris is doing. Bob said that **…**

5.I hardly ever go to a swimming pool these days. Bob said that **…**

6.I work 10 hours a day. Bob said that **…**

7.She has had a baby. Bob said that **…**

8.I’ll tell Tom I saw you. Bob said that **…**

9.Bob had an accident last week. Bob said that **…**

10.Tom and Susan are getting married next month. Bob said that **…**

**TASK 5**

Compare the direct and indirect speech and correct mistakes.

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| 1."I am not going to tolerate this any more," said Sarah. Sarah said she was not going to tolerate this any more. Sarah said she was not going to tolerate  any more. |
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| 2."You have always been my friend," said Joe. Joe said I was always his friend. Joe said I  his friend. |
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| 3."We never eat meat," claimed Bill. Bill claimed that they had never eaten meat. Bill claimed that they  meat. |
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| 4."I will talk to Sam soon," she told me on Sunday. She told me on Sunday she will talk to Sam soon. She told me on Sunday she  to Sam soon. |
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| 5."Mary used to exercise every day," he said. He said Mary had used to exercise every day. He said Mary  to exercise every day. |
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| 6."I wish I was twenty years younger," said Linda.  Linda said she wished she had been twenty years younger. Linda said she  twenty years younger. |
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| 7."Answer the phone!" he told me. He told me I answered the phone. He told me  the phone. |
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| 8."Where is Alex?" she asked me. She asked me where was Alex. She asked me where  . |
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| 9."Don't shout at me anymore," he told me. He told me I didn't shout at him anymore. He told me  at him anymore. |

**TASK 6**

Choose the correct variant for transformation of the sentence

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| 1."I am waiting at the bus stop." He told me that    at the bus stop. |
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| 2."We will set off tomorrow." On Friday they said    . |
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| 3."Get out of my way!" He ordered us    of his way. |
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| 4."I invited him last week."  She told me this week that she had invited him    . |
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| 5."I will resign today." This morning the minister announced that he would resign    . |
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| 6."She'd better refuse this job." He insisted that she    that job. |
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| 7."We used to take the same medicine." She thought that    the same medicine. |
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| 8."It is time we had an agreement." She suggested that it was time we    an agreement. |
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| 9."We must go skiing in winter." He said that they    skiing in winter. |

**TASK 7**

Choose the correct variant

1. My friend … he was very proud of me.

a) Said

b) Told

c) Spoke

d) Talked

2. They … me I couldn’t stay longer.

a) Said

b) Told

c) Spoke

d) Talked

3. She asked … her in this difficult situation.

a) Will I help

b) Would I help

c) If I will help

d) If I would help

4. I didn’t know … she wanted to know.

a) That

b) Where

c) What

d) Which

5. No one said where … the night.

a) Had they spent

b) They had spent

c) They spent

d) Did they spent

6. He answered that he … for a phone call and … speak.

a) Is waiting, can’t

b) Was waiting, can’t

c) Was waiting, couldn’t

d) Is waiting, couldn’t

7. He didn’t tell us … to the party.

a) If he will come

b) If he would come

c) Whether he will come

d) Would he come

8. Mary asked us … the room on the left.

a) So that we don’t enter

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9. I have already said that I … part in this show.

a) Won’t take

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d) Wouldn’t be taking

10. Mr. Jones tries to explain that he … his secretary since Tuesday.

a) Hadn’t seen

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c) Didn’t see

d) Hasn’t seen

ANSWERS

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2.He might **speak** English.

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4.Mary asked him **where he came** from.

5.I wanted to know if anyone **had seen**my tennis racket.

6.Mary told John**not to buy**her any more flowers.

7.You had better**take**an aspirin.

8.He asked if **he might use**my phone.

9.They may **have stopped** to do some shopping.

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TASK 2

1.He told Tom **to sit down**.

2.The children's mother warned them **not to go** near the sea.

3.Tim's father told him **not to be late**.

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TASK 5

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| 1.that |
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| 2.had always been |
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| 3.never ate |
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| 4.would talk |
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| 5.used |
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| 6.wished she was |
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| 7.to answer |
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| 8.Alex was |
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| 9.not to shout |

TASK 6

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| 1.he was waiting |
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| 2.they would set off the next day |
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| 3.to get out |
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| 4.last week |
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| 5.today |
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| 6.had better refuse |
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| 7.they used to take |
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| 8.had |
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