

Reported Speech and Questions

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| present simple <i>'I'm (I am) about 100 kilometres from Australia.'</i> | → past simple → <i>He said (that) he was about 100 kilometres from Australia.</i> |
| present continuous <i>'The sun's (is) shining.'</i> | → past continuous → <i>He said (that) the sun was shining.</i> |
| past simple <i>'There was a terrible storm.'</i> | → past perfect → <i>He said (that) there'd (had) been a terrible storm.</i> |
| present perfect <i>'I haven't (have not) seen another boat.'</i> | → past perfect → <i>He said (that) he hadn't (had not) seen another boat.</i> |
| past perfect <i>'I hadn't (had not) expected the storm.'</i> | → past perfect → <i>He said (that) he hadn't (had not) expected the storm.</i> |
| am going to <i>'I'm (I am) going to win.'</i> | → was going to → <i>He said (that) he was going to win.</i> |
| will <i>'I'll (I will) spend two hours in a bath.'</i> | → would → <i>He said (that) he'd (he would) spend two hours in a bath.</i> |
| can <i>'I can see sharks and dolphins.'</i> | → could → <i>He said (that) he could see sharks and dolphins.</i> |
| may <i>'I may win.'</i> | → might → <i>He said (that) he might win.</i> |
| might <i>'I might win.'</i> | → might → <i>He said (that) he might win.</i> |
| must <i>'I must get my hair cut.'</i> | → had to → <i>He said (that) he had to get his hair cut.</i> |

Time & Place References

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| yesterday | the day before |
| today | that day |
| tomorrow | next day/following day |
| next week | following week |
| now | then |
| here | there |
| this | that |

Reporting Verbs

- say - said (that) He said that he failed the test.
- say - said to me He said to me that he failed the test.
- tell - told - He told me that he failed the test.

answer
reply

remind
persuade
inform

agree (with me)
explain (to me)
mentioned (to me)

Reporting offers

- sometimes followed with „to“ infinitive
- He promised to be a good leader.
- He advised us to vote for him.
- They offered to help me.

I told her not to smoke.

Reporting Questions

- Wh- questions - keep the wh- word within
- How do you feel? She asked how he felt.
- What's the matter? She asked what the matter was.

Reported Questions

- Yes/No Questions - with if/whether
- Can you hear me? She asked whether I heard her.