

GRAMMAR: The Reported Speech



"I like ice cream."

Direct Speech

Tom said: "I like ice cream."

Reported Speech

Tom said that he liked ice cream.

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He said: "I like ice cream."

He **said (that)** he liked ice cream.

She said: "I bought a car."

She **said (that)** she bought / had bought a car.

She said: "I will travel to London."

She **said (that)** she would travel to London.

He said: "I can speak English."

He **said (that)** he could speak English.

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Direct Speech	Reported Speech
Simple present	Simple past
Simple past	Simple past / Past perfect
Will + verb (Future)	Would + verb
Can + verb	Could + verb

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Complete the sentences with the reported speech.

1. John said, "I am from New York City."

John said _____.

2. "I can't drive a car," he said.

He said _____.

3. "I'll come later," he said.

He said _____.

4. "We visited a village in the High Atlas," the students said.

The students said _____.

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Complete the sentences with the reported speech.

1. John said, "I love this town."

John said (that) he was from New York City.

2. "I can't drive a car," he said.

He said (that) he couldn't drive a car.

3. "I'll come later," he said.

He said (that) he would come later.

4. "We visited a village in the High Atlas," the students said.

The students said (that) they visited / had visited a poor village in the High Atlas.