

Quotation Marks

1- Ahmed said : « I stay at home »

- *Who is speaking here ?*
- Ahmed

Direct Speech

Statement – Advice – Request – Command – Suggestion

- *What did Ahmed say?*
- *You answer should be like this :*

Reporting Verb

- *Said*
- *Told*
- *Stated*
- *Asked*

2- Ahmed **said** that he stayed at home

- *Is Ahmed speaking here?*
- *Here you are **reporting** Ahmed's speech*

Reported Speech



Study the following examples and notice the changes

Direct Speech	Reported Speech
1. "I study at home now "	He said that he studied at home then .
2. "I finished this exercise yesterday "	He said that he had finished that exercise the day before
3. "I will take a test tomorrow "	He said that he would take a test the following day

TENSE CHANGES

Present Simple	→	Past Simple
Past Simple	→	Past Perfect

OTHER CHANGES

Now	→	Then
This	→	That
Yesterday	→	The day before
Will	→	would
Tomorrow	→	The following day



TENSE CHANGES

Present simple	Past Simple
Past simple	Past Perfect
Past Perfect	Past Perfect
Present Continuous	Past Continuous
Present Perfect	Past Perfect

OTHER CHANGES

This	That
Now	Then
Today	That day
Yesterday	The day before
Tomorrow	The following day
Ago	Before
Here	There
Will	Would
Can	Could
Must	Had to

Reported Speech

Exercise:

Report the following statements

1- "I work in a bank."

He said that

2- "I'm coming!"

She said that

3- "I can help you tomorrow"

She told me that

4- "I don't like chocolate."

Peter said that

5- "She hasn't eaten Tagine before"

He said that

6- "I saw Maria at school yesterday"

He said that *he **had seen** Maria at school the day before*





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