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| **Indirect Speech: Overview** | | |
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| **USE:** | **Indirect speech** or **reported speech** is a description of what people said. We use **indirect speech** to talk about conversations we had with people at some point in the past. We use **direct speech**,on the other hand, when we want to use the exact words people said. Those exact words are usually put in quotation marks. | |
| **FORM:**  **USE:** | **Direct Speech** **Indirect Speech**  *He said, “I don’t like broccoli.” He said that he didn’t like broccoli.*    To make **indirect speech** from **direct speech** do the following:   * Take out the comma and quotation marks. * Put the word “that” after “said”. * Change the verb tense if necessary. * Change the time marker if necessary.   Some common changes in verb tenses that we usually make when using **indirect speech** are as follows:   * Present tense changes to past tense.   **Direct speech**: *“I eat at McDonald’s every Friday,” she said.*  **Indirect speech**: *She said that she ate at McDonald’s every Friday.*   * Auxiliary verbs in the present change to the past.   **Direct speech**: *“I will go to Paris next month,” he said.*  **Indirect speech**: *He said that he would go to Paris next month.*  Some common changes in time markers that we can make when using **indirect speech** are as follows:  Now-----then today-----that day yesterday----the day before  This week----that week this month----that month  **HOWEVER**: We have a choice about whether we make the verb tense and time marker changes. We DON’T make the changes if the situation in the direct speech has NOT changed. For example: *He said, “I am happy.”*  If, when you are reporting on him, he is not happy (the situation HAS changed), you would say: *He said that he was happy.*  If, when you are reporting on him, he is still happy (the situation HAS NOT changed) you would say: *He said that he is happy.* |  | |
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| *Complete the following sentences from DIRECT to INDIRECT speech. More than one answer may be possible.* |

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|  | **DIRECT SPEECH** |  | **INDIRECT SPEECH** |
| 1. | “I want this book,” he said. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| 2. | “He is coming to visit today,” she said. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| 3. | “These apples are too green,” she said. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| 4. | “I will visit Las Vegas next month,” he said. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| 5. | “My son will be twelve years old next week,”  he said. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| 6. | “I want to go home now,” she said. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| 7. | “This afternoon I will play golf,” he said. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| 8. | “This actor is very handsome,” they said. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| 9. | “I’ll be here again tomorrow,” she said. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| 10. | “He wants to leave early,” she said. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |