

10th - English Reported Speech



Do you know where?

Answer these questions with I don't know + the word in brackets ().

1. Is that your new camera? It looks expensive. Did it cost a lot?
(how much) _____
2. Did Ann tell you the news about Frank?
(who) _____
3. Did John buy you a watch for your last birthday?
(what) _____

Write questions with Do you know where/when/what ..., etc.

1. You want to find the Regent Hotel. You ask a stranger in the street.
_____?
2. Someone told you that John is going to leave his job. You want to know why.
_____?
3. Someone told you that Mrs. Smith, your old teacher, has died. You want to know when.
_____?

Some words in this report are difficult to read. Ask questions to get the missing information. Use Do you know...

John Carter left home at (1) _____ yesterday morning. He was wearing a (2) _____ and _____. He wasn't alone. (3) _____ was with him. First he went into a shop and bought a camera. It cost (4) _____. Then he went into a (5) _____ shop and came out carrying a long thin package. The person with him was laughing, probably because (6) _____ they walked to the station and caught the fast train which was going to (7) _____. We know that journey usually takes (8) _____ but yesterday it was much slower. My officers were at Dover station waiting for the two men but they were not on the train.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____

She said that ... / He told me to (Reported speech)

Who is coming to the party on Saturday? Write sentences with He/She said (that) ... or. He/She told me (that)....

MARIA: Did you invite Caroline to our party on Saturday?

TIM: Yes, but she can't come. She said (1) _____ and (2) _____

MARIA: OK. What about Stephen?

TIM: No. He said (3) _____ and (4) _____

MARIA: Dave?



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TIM: No. He said (5) _____ and (6) _____

MARIA: Anna?

TIM: No, not Anna. She said (7) _____ and (8) _____

MARIA: What about Sue?

TIM: Yes. She said (9) _____ and (10) _____

MARIA: Good. That's a start!

Put in say/said or tell/told.

1. Jackie _____ to me that she wanted to see you.
2. I _____ him not to speak on the phone for too long.
3. Did _____ Sam anything about me?
4. I didn't _____ the teacher why I was late.

do/to do/doing

Choose the correct form of the verb.

1. Harry was _____ out of the window when he heard a loud noise. (look / to look / looking)
2. We used _____ a dog but it died last year. (having / to have / have)
3. A: When are you going _____ John the news? B: Tonight, I think. (tell / telling / to tell)
4. I must _____ some postcards this weekend. (to write / writing / write)
5. Sally says she wants _____ a nurse when she's older. (being / to be / be)
6. You didn't need _____ any more eggs. We had some in the fridge. (buy / to buy / buying)

Put the verb in the right form, using to ... or -ing.

Dear Sally

Thank you for your last letter. It was good to hear from you. My big news is that I've decided (1) _____ (change) jobs. I finish (2) _____ (work) at Simpsons next month and start in my new company, Galt, the week after. Simpsons didn't want me (3) _____ (leave) but Galt offered me more money and more opportunities. I hope (4) _____ (be) a manager there in two years. By the way, I forgot (5) _____ (tell) you – I'm learning (6) _____ (drive). My new company offered me (7) _____ (let) me use one of their cars, which was very good of them. I had a lot of problems at first because I wanted (8) _____ (do) everything quickly. My teacher thought I was a bit dangerous on the road! He suggested (9) _____ (slow) down, and now it's getting better. I'm having a party on the 25th and would love (10) _____ (see) you. Perhaps you could persuade your brother (11) _____ (come) with you as well. I really enjoyed (12) _____ (dance) with him at your party. My neighbors have promised (13) _____ (go) out for the evening, so we can play the music as loud as we want. I must stop (14) _____ (write) now and do some work. See you on the 25th, I hope.

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Complete sentences with advised/persuaded/let etc. Use to if necessary.

1. Stuart didn't allow his young sons to play with toy guns.

Stuart _____ (let)

2. Jane didn't want to come swimming with us, but we asked her again and again and in the end she said, 'yes'.

We _____ (persuade)

3. I was surprised that you married him.

I _____ (expect)

4. My father said I had to pay back all the money I borrowed.

My father _____ (make)

Finish each sentence with (to) do something or (for) something. Use your own ideas.

1 Mark turned on the TV to _____

2 Kevin is going to the kitchen _____

3 You need more money _____

4 Lucy hasn't got enough time _____

5 Jill waited a long time _____

Which ones are right? Sometimes only one sentence is right, sometimes two are right.

1 a) I'm waiting for the rain stopping _____

b) I'm waiting for the rain to stop _____

c) I'm waiting for the rain stop _____

2 a) We don't need much money to buy tickets _____

b) We don't need much money for tickets _____

c) We don't need much money for buy tickets _____

