

## 7<sup>th</sup> – Reported Speech- II

### Change in Words and Expression denoting Time and Place:

List of commonly used expressions denoting time and place

	Direct speech	Indirect speech
Adverbs of time	Now	Then
	Ago	Before
	Today	That day
	Tomorrow	The next day/ following day
	Yesterday	The previous day/the day before
	Last year	The previous year/the year before
	Next Monday	The following Monday
Adverbs of place	Here	There
	Herein	Therein
Demonstratives	This	That
	These	Those

Change these sentences into indirect speech

1. They said to us, “Yesterday’s match proved that our team is stronger than your’s.”  
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2. The Doctor said to the patient, “This medicine will heal the wound by tomorrow.”  
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3. Bingo, the clown, announced, “Tonight will be my last night at the circus.”  
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4. Alexander said to his followers, “You are wasting your and my time now.”  
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Change these sentences from indirect speech to direct speech.

1. You said to me that you would give me leave on Tuesday.  
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2. The teacher said that the summer solstice falls on 21 June.  
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3. He clarified that he had done the deed under compulsion.  
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### Changing Exclamation into Indirect:

They are changed into statements expressing the spirit of the exclamation in the reporting verb or in the adverb.

1. What, how, etc are changed into: He said that he was...etc
2. Ugh!, oh!, heavens!, alas!, etc are changed into: He exclaimed with disgust / surprise / sorrow etc...
3. Hurrah! Is changed into: He exclaimed with great joy.

Change these sentences into indirect speech

1. My aunt said to me, ‘May the Almighty help you to succeed in life!’  
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2. ‘Alas! To think I should be leading such a life,’ said the old man.  
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3. “What a beautiful painting!,” said Raman.  
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4. Lily said to John, How handsome you are looking!”  
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Change these sentences from indirect speech to direct speech.

1. They enquired politely as to who he was and what he wanted.  
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2. My mother exclaimed with disappointment that she had lost her favourite watch the day before.  
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### Changing Imperative Sentence (Command, Request and Suggestion) into Indirect:

1. The verb say is changed into verb of command or request such as tell, order, command, ask, beg, urge, remind, warn, etc. according to meaning.
2. The infinitive (to + verb) is used in direct commands and requests.
3. Negative commands are expressed by not + infinitives(to + verb)
4. In sentences beginning with let the verb is changed into proposed or suggested. In place of infinitive, should + verb is used.

Change these sentences into indirect speech

1. The mother said to her children, ‘Do not go out into the rain without raincoats.’  
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2. Swami said to Harish, ‘Do not accept the proposal unless you are absolutely sure about it.’  
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3. The father said, ‘Children, do not be so nervous about the tournament next month. I am sure that you will win it.’  
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4. His mother said to him, ‘You should take your studies seriously.’  
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Change these sentences from indirect speech to direct speech.

1. He requested me to pass the sugar.  
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2. He asked me whether we felt sorry for him.  
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3. Nutan said that she preferred tea to coffee.  
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### Changing Modals into Indirect:

In this case the only tense form will change.

Change these sentences into indirect form:

1. I said, ‘Would you like to accompany us to Mr Lahiri’s house?’  
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2. Gargi said, ‘Who will be the next captain of the cricket team?’  
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3. Dinaz said to me, ‘What can I do for your family, dear?’  
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4. The student said, ‘When will the show begin?’  
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Change these sentences from indirect speech to direct speech.

1. His father replied that there might not be another that year.  
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2. I wrote that i would visit him next day.  
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