REPORTED SPEECH

• Reported speech is used when we report things another person said
• There are 2 forms:
  • DIRECT SPEECH
  • INDIRECT SPEECH
DIRECT SPEECH

• It is used when we use “quotation marks” and we repeat exactly what we hear without any changes

• My dad said “Come here”

• “I am working late tomorrow” Steven said
INDIRECT SPEECH

• It is used to express what the other person said, without quotation marks.

• When we use INDIRECT SPEECH we have to do certain changes in tense, pronouns, possessives, and modals.
In tenses we ALWAYS take one step back... How?

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SOME EXAMPLES...

DIRECT SPEECH
- “I have a problem,”
- “I am reading a book”
- “I don’t have the car”
- “I am not working out”
- “I didn’t see him”
- “I walked to class”
- “I had a hard time”
- “I was feeling sick”
- “I wasn’t cooking”

INDIRECT SPEECH
- Kim said she had a problem
- John told me he was reading a book
- He said he .............. have a car
- Mary said ................................ working out
- He said he hadn’t seen him.
- She said she...............walked to class
- He ............................ a hard time
- Steve said he had been feeling sick
- Caroline said she...............................
HERE ARE MORE...

DIRECT SPEECH

• “I have done my test”
• “I have finished”
• “I haven´t been painting”
• “I have been running”
• “I will call you later”
• “I can´t throw it away”
• “I can call you later”
• “I may go to the party”

INDIRECT SPEECH

• She said she had done her test
• He told me ........................................
• Mary told me she had not been painting
• Carlos said..............................................
• Steven said he would call me later
• He said he couldn´t throw it away
• She said she could call me later
• John told me that .................................
DO NOT FORGET...

1. Always take one “step back” with tenses.

2. Remember that pronouns can also change. Be careful with that!

3. The word “That” is optional you can write it after tell, explain, or said
DO NOT FORGET...

1. **Tell** always uses an indirect object

2. **Said** doesn’t require an indirect object

3. **Explain** doesn’t require indirect object either