

Practice

75a Put the sentences below into direct speech, using the words given.



1 the bus driver

The bus driver said, 'We're late.'



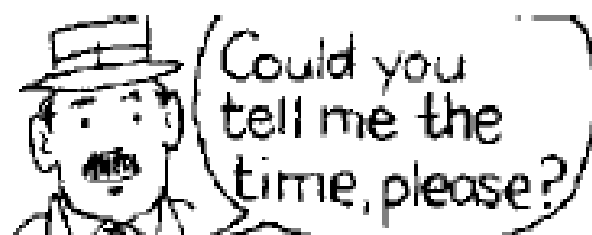
2 the little boy



3 Jane



4 the policeman

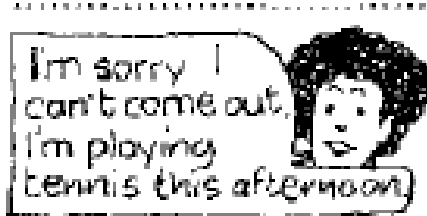


5 the old man



Don't forget
to come early
tomorrow.

6 the teacher



I'm sorry I
can't come out.
I'm playing
tennis this afternoon.

7 she



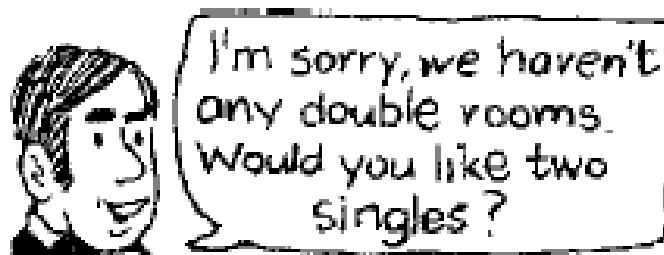
You'll need a
passport if
you're going
to France.

8 he



Tickets, please.

9 the guard



I'm sorry, we haven't
any double rooms.
Would you like two
singles?

10 the receptionist

75b Write the sentences below using direct speech. Write each sentence twice, putting *she said, he said, etc.* before and after the statement.

1

Don't be late home.

My parents *said*. *'Don't be late home.
'Don't be late home,' my parents said.*

2

I'd like to go
out tonight.

He *said*, *'I'd like to go out tonight.
'I'd like to go out tonight,' he said.*

3

Read this book
before next week.

The teacher

4

Go home and
stay in bed.

The doctor

5

We're coming to
visit you on Sunday.

Ruth

6

The courses cost
£100 per week.

The receptionist

7

We had a lovely time.

They

8

I want to come
with you.

Danny

Practice

76a Use the correct form of *say* or *tell* in these sentences.

- 1 She *told* me she didn't agree.
 - 2 'I think I've met you before,' he *said*.
 - 3 I.....them I wasn't happy with their work.
 - 4 She.....me a story about her parents.
 - 5 He....., 'Are you feeling OK?'
 - 6 She smiled, and.....to me, 'I'm very pleased to meet you.'
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- 7 I didn't hear: what did she.....?
 - 8 Could you.....me the time, please?
 - 9 They.....me they were going to a meeting.
 - 10 T.....the policeman my address.
 - 11 I.....I wanted to buy a magazine.
 - 12 He.....he wasn't interested in politics.
 - 13 Could you.....me your name again, please?
 - 14 Do you think he's.....the truth?
 - 15 Would you.....them to come early tomorrow?
 - 16 If he.....that again, there'll be trouble.
 - 17 I.....them it was dangerous to swim there.
 - 18 Did you.....anything to him about your problems at work?
 - 19.....me what happened.
 - 20 I think he's.....lies.

Practice

Write these sentences in indirect speech, using the words given. Remember to change the pronouns where necessary.

1 'I haven't done my homework.' (she says)

She says she hasn't done her homework.

2 'I haven't got any money.' (He'll tell you)

He'll tell you he hasn't got any money.

3 'I've seen the film before.' (she says)

4 'I want to go home.' (he's already told you)

5 'I haven't seen my mother for years.' (he says)

6 'I don't know how much it costs.' (she says)

7 'I don't like going to parties.' (she's told me)

8 'We've never been to Berlin.' (they say)

9 'I need the money to visit my parents.' (he'll say)

- 10 'We can't come on Tuesday.' (they've told me)

- 11 'I'm going to visit Europe this year' (the President will announce that)

- 12 'I can't stand classical music' (Gemma tells me)

- 13 'The plane will land in half an hour.' (the pilot has just announced that)

- 14 'There are no tickets left for tonight's performance.' (the booking office says that)

- 15 'We haven't had anything to eat.' (the children say)

- 16 'I've already seen the play.' (he's told me)

- 17 'I'll come again next year.' (I've told them)

- 18 'I'm not feeling very well.' (Simon says)

- 19 'I've never been to Japan.' (Jason has just said)

- 20 'I'm meeting the students for lunch next week.' (she'll tell you)

- 21 'You'll never drive a better car.' (the advertisement claims that)

Practice

Write these sentences in indirect speech, using the words given. Change the pronouns where necessary.

- 1 'My name's Ian.' (he said)
He said his name was Ian.
- 2 'I'm writing a letter.' (she said)
She said she was writing a letter.
- 3 'I'm waiting for Jessie.'¹ (she said)
- 4 'I don't like the idea.' (he said)
- 5 'The car isn't at my house.'¹ (she said)
- 6 'The washing machine's broken.' (he said)
- 7 'I'm working.' (he said)
- 8 'We're worried about Peter.' (they said)