

Practice

1 Use the words to write reported statements. Start with the underlined word or phrase.

1 that informed she was ill the photographer us

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2 assumed Gemma's brother be the young man everyone to

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3 justice to the guilty person to vowed Inspector Stanford bring

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4 on Thursday the leaflet that the collection be would said

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5 Sally having from the cupboard the biscuits taken admitted

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6 did extra tell have to the guide for lunch not we'd us pay

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7 closed the museum not imagine we today that did be would

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8 our director through a difficult year us working for thanked so hard

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2 Report each of these statements, using a suitable verb from the box, as in the example. There are five extra verbs. 3.42 Listen and check.

accuse admit apologise blame consider deny encourage
persuade reassure ~~refuse~~ regret remind reply suggest warn

0 Lily: 'I will not take part in the new play.'

Lily refused to take part in the new play.

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1 My friend Tina: 'Don't you ever tell anyone about my problems again!'

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2 My manager: 'It was your fault that we lost the Siemens contract.'

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3 The art critic: 'Picasso was definitely the most exciting artist of the twentieth century.'

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4 The reporter: 'I'm terribly sorry about getting the Minister's name wrong.'

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5 The police officer: 'We believe that you have been making threatening phone calls.'

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6 My friends: 'Come on – you can do the marathon with us. You're just as good as us.'

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7 The team manager: 'I feel terrible now about contradicting Julie in front of the team.'

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8 My wife: 'Don't worry about the arrangements. They're all under control.'

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9 My mother: 'You had your tonsils taken out at the age of nine, remember?'

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