

Reported Speech

Exercise 1- Change to reported speech.

1. She said, "I can get home on my own".
2. They said, "We haven't been to an art gallery for ages
3. The police asked me, "When did you leave the house this morning?"
4. He said, "I'll think about it."
5. Mary said, "I should have phoned my mother".
6. The doctor told me. "You should cut down on your smoking."
7. He asked me, "Do you understand all the rules?"
8. My parents said, "We are going on holiday tomorrow."
9. She said, "Wait until I get back!" She told him
10. My sister said, "I always eat lots of fresh fruit and salad." She said that
11. The workers said, "We won't have enough time to finish the job."
12. Mom said, "Don't worry!" Mom told me
13. Jack said, "We must leave soon."
14. She said, "It's been a long time since I had such a good meal."
15. They wanted to know, "What time does the party start ?"
16. The guide said, "The weather may get much worse."

Exercise 2- Make reported commands from the sentences below!

1. The teacher said, "You can't leave the room!"
2. Mom told me, "Don't spend too much money on clothes"
3. I said to her, "Speak more slowly!"
4. The doctor said, "You mustn't eat any sweets."
5. Don said, "I won't tell anyone."
6. Anna said, "I won't help you."
7. . Jake said, "You should see a doctor."
8. I said to the teacher, "Please don't give us any homework."
9. I told him, "I will punish you if you don't behave!"
10. He said, "It was you who broke the vase!"
11. He told me, "Buy some food on your way back."

12. She said, "I'm sorry I lost the book you gave me."
13. The guide said, "Stay away from the edge of the cliff!"
14. I said, "Let me carry your groceries."
15. My mother said, "Get out of bed at once"!
16. Dad said, "Let's go to the park"!

Exercise 3 -Change the direct questions into reported questions:

1. Is John at home?
2. Am I late?
3. Is it cold outside?
4. Are they in Paris?
5. Is the bus stop near the shopping centre?
6. Is the milk fresh?
7. Are you a doctor?
8. Are James and Lucy from France?
9. Is my brother in the garden?
10. Is the weather good in Shanghai in the summer?
11. Does Julie drink tea?
12. Do you like chocolate?
13. Do they own a flat?
14. Does David go to the cinema often?
15. Do the children study Chinese?
16. Do they go on holiday every summer?
17. Does your sister live in Stockholm?
18. Do I talk too much?
19. Does Jennifer want a new job?
20. Does it rain a lot in London?

Exercise 4 Change to reported speech

1. The boy asked the tour guide, "Where is the main tourist office? "
2. The police officer said, "Get out of the car !
3. The woman asked," How long have you worked as a tour guide ?"
4. He said, "Come to me !
5. I asked the waiter," When is dinner served ?"

6. The old lady asked the policeman, "Is there a shopping centre nearby?"
7. Dad asked, "Did you find my glasses?"
8. He said to his son, "Don't be afraid!"
9. Dad advised us, "You should always wear a helmet when you ride a bike!"
10. The biologist wondered, "What kind of marine animals are there in the park?"
11. The journalist asked, "Have you published any interesting stories yet?"
12. He said to her, "I may not be able to meet you at the airport."
13. She said, "Let's go out!"
14. The doctor told her, "Don't get up until Sunday!"
15. The girl said, "Please don't tell my parents!"
16. She asked, "Can I go tomorrow?"

Answer**Exercise 1**

1. She said that she could get home on her own.
2. They said that they hadn't been to an art gallery for ages .
3. The police asked me when I had left the house that morning .
4. He said that he would think about it.
5. Mary said that she should have phoned her mother.
6. The doctor told me to cut down on my smoking.
7. He asked me if I understood all the rules.
8. My parents said that they/we were going on holiday the following day.
9. She told him to wait until she got back.
10. She said that she always ate lots of fresh fruit and salad.
11. The workers said that they wouldn't have enough time to finish the job
12. Mom told me not to worry.
13. Jack said that they had to leave soon.
14. She said that it had been a long time since she had had such a good meal.
15. They wanted to know what time the party started
16. The guide said that the weather might get much worse.

Exercise 2

1. The teacher ordered us not to leave the room.
2. Mom warned me not to spend too much money on clothes.
3. I told her to speak more slowly.
4. The doctor forbade me to eat any sweets.
5. Don promised not to tell anyone.
6. Anna refused to help me.
7. Jake advised me to see a doctor.
8. I begged the teacher not to give them any homework.
9. I threatened to punish him if he did not behave.
10. He accused me of breaking the vase.
11. He reminded me to buy some food on my way back.
12. She apologised for losing the book I gave her.
13. The guide told us to stay away from the edge of the cliff.

14. I offered to carry her groceries.
15. My mother ordered me to get out of bed.
16. Dad suggested going to the park.

Answers: 3

1. She asked me if John was at home.
2. She asked me if she was late.
3. She asked me if it was cold outside.
4. She asked me if they were in Paris.
5. She asked me if the bus stop was near the shopping centre.
6. She asked me if the milk was fresh.
7. She asked me if I was a doctor.
8. She asked me if James and Lucy were from France.
9. She asked me if her brother was in the garden.
10. She asked me if the weather was good in Shanghai in the summer.
11. She asked me if Julie drank tea.
12. She asked me if you liked chocolate.
13. She asked me if they owned a flat.
14. She asked me if David went to the cinema often.
15. She asked me if the children studied Chinese.
16. She asked me if they went on holiday every summer.
17. She asked me if my sister lived in Stockholm.
18. She asked me if she talked too much.
19. She asked me if Jennifer wanted a new job.
20. She asked me if it rained a lot in London.

Exercise 4

1. The boy asked the tour guide where the main tourist office was.
2. The police officer ordered the boys to get out of the car
3. The woman wanted to know how long I had worked as a tour guide.
4. He told me to come to him .

5. I asked the waiter when dinner was/would be served.
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6. Dad asked me if I had found his glasses.
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9. The biologist wondered what kind of marine animals there were in the park.
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11. He told her he might not be able to meet her at the airport.
12. She suggested going out.
13. The doctor told her not to get up until Sunday.
14. The girl begged the teacher not to tell her parents.
15. She asked if she could go the next/following day.