

Reported Speech (Indirect Speech)

If we report what another person has said, we usually do not use the speaker's exact words (*direct speech*), but reported (*indirect speech*). Therefore, you need to learn **how to transform direct speech into reported speech**.

The structure is a little different depending on whether you want to transform a **statement**, **question** or **request**.

Statements

When transforming statements, check whether you have to change:

- pronouns
- present tense verbs (3rd person singular)
- place and time expressions
- tenses (backshift)

Find the under-mentioned website, read it and click on Exercises on Reported Speech .
Do as much as you can.

<http://www.ego4u.com/en/cram-up/grammar/reported-speech#exercises>