



NARRATION



Types of sentences

- Simple
- Interrogative
- Modals
- Imperative
- Optative

CHANGING INTO INDIRECT SPEECH.

1. Present Tense:

c. 'Said' is not followed by the object without 'to'.

- Mohan said me that he liked eating chocolates. (wrong)
- Mohan said to me, "he liked eating chocolates". (right)
- d. Inverted commas are removed and 'that' is added.

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e. The tense used in the reported speech is changed

according to the need.

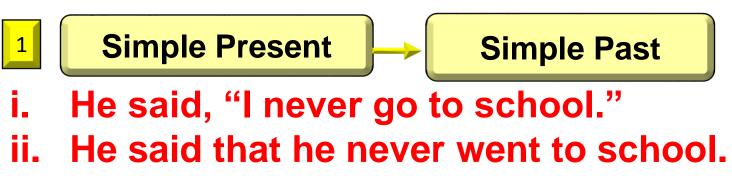
f. Use the 'full stop' to end the sentence.

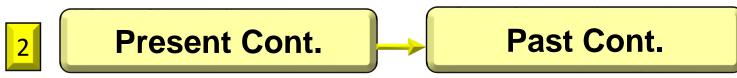
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1.Rule: Remove the inverted comma in the indirect speech.

- Ram says, "I have a red car at home." (Direct)
- Mohan says that he has aa red car at home.(Indirect)
- **2.**Rule: Be careful while changing the tense:
- a. Don't change the tense in the reported speech if reporting verb is in present or future tense:
- She says, "She eats an apple."
- She says that She eats an apple.

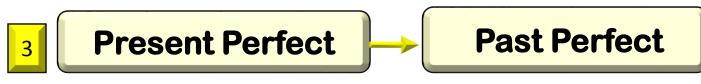
b. If the reporting verb is in the past tense, the tense in the reported speech will get changed as follows:





- i. Rohan said, "I am going to school."
- ii. Rohan said that he was going to school.

b.If the reporting verb is in the past tense, the tense in the reported speech will get changed as follows:



- i. He said, "I have eaten an orange."
- ii. He said that he had eaten an orange.

Present Perfect Cont.

Past Perfect Cont.

- i. John said, "I have been going to school for a month."
- ii. John said that he had been going to school for a month.

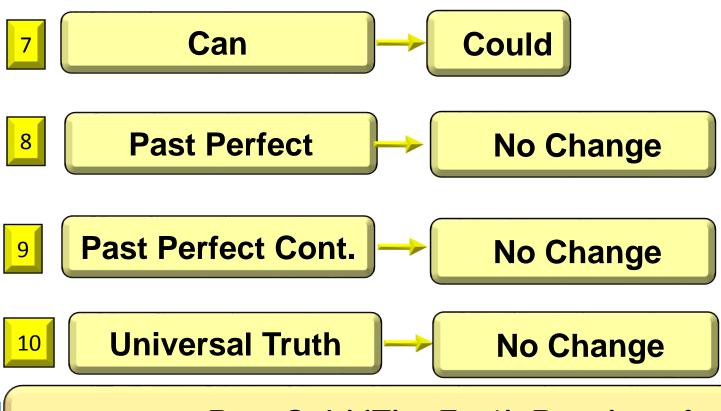
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- i. He said, "I ate an apple."
- ii. He said that he had eaten an apple.

- i. John said, "They were taking dance classes."
- ii. John said that they had been taking dance classes.

b.If the reporting verb is in the past tense, the tense in the reported speech will get changed as follows:



Ram Said 'The Earth Revolves Around The Sun.' Ram Said That The Earth Revolves Around The Sun.

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Rule : The pronouns present in the reported speech also get changed accordingly:

- 1st person : According to Subject.
- 2nd person : According to Object.
- > 3rd person : No change.

a. He said to me, "I am going to win and you are not."

b. He told me that He was going to win and I was not.

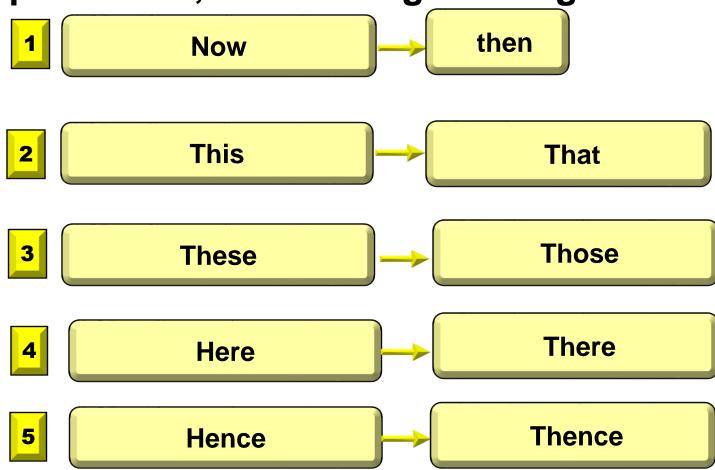
4. Rule : Use of "WE"

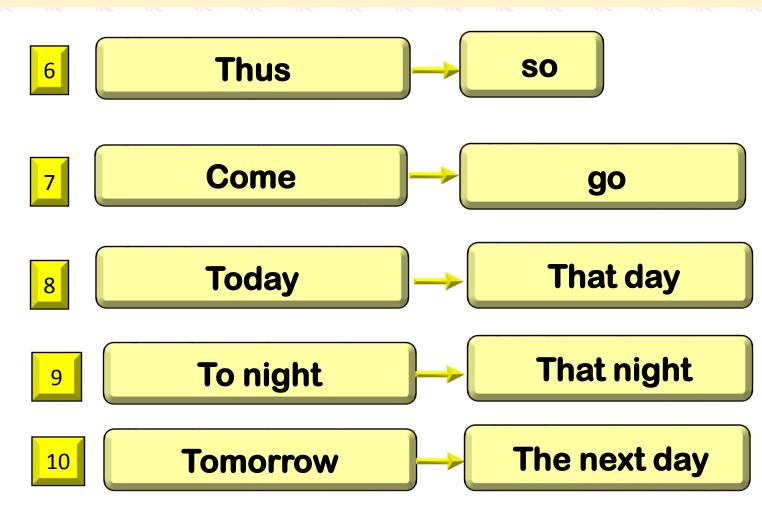
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- If 'we' universal truth, it remains unchanged.
- ii. if 'we' newspaper, magazine, company etc, gets converted into 'it' or 'its'.
- They said, "We cannot live without air or water."
- They said that we cannot live without air or water.

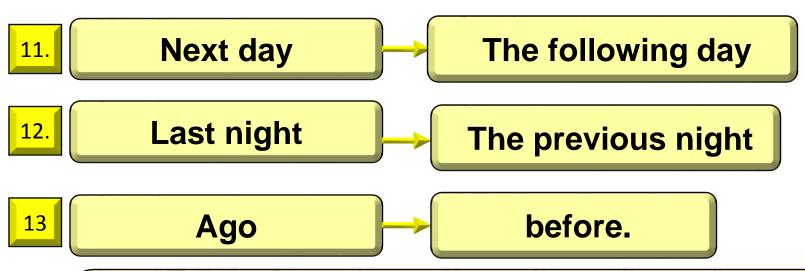
- 4. Rule 'you' gets converted into third person or first person i.e. he/she/it/they etc. according to the need.
- He said, "You need to work hard." (Direct)
- > He said that he/they needed to work hard. (Indirect)

5. Rule : While changing the present tense of the reported speech into past tense, the words get changed as follows:









If the words : This / here / now / today / come etc. are used for the place / thing / and time etc. which are associated with the speaker when he is speaking, then these words remain unchanged.



CHANGING INTO INDIRECT SPEECH

1.Present Tense:

- a. 'Said' is changed into : (said, observed, remarked, pointed out, asserted, declared, proclaimed etc.)
- He said, 'I agree to it.'
- > He said that he agreed to it.
- b. 'Said to' is changed into : (told, informed, reported to etc.)
- Manu said to Tanu, 'I am hungry.'
- Manu told Tanu that he was hungry.

CHANGING INTO INDIRECT SPEECH.

questions beginning with "wh" i.e. who, what, why, whom etc. A conjunction is not used before the reported speech.

He said to me, "Where do you live?" (Direct)

. Interrogative sentences :

- He asked me that where I lived. (Wrong)
- He asked me where I lived. (Correct)
- e. The reported speech should be made assertive i.e. 'verb + subject' is converted into 'subject + verb'.
- He said to me, "what will you eat today?"
 - He asked me what I should eat that day.

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CHANGING INTO INDIRECT SPEECH:

. Interrogative sentences:

f. Question mark should be removed and full stop is added.

In case of 'or not' Consider the following examples:

- Radha said to me, "what do you want?"
- Radha asked me what I wanted.

Optative sentences:

a. Raka said, "May you do well in life."
b. They said, "Long live Lallu."
c. They said, "God save the Queen."

- 1. Raka prayed / wished that we might do well in life.
- 2. They wished that Lallu might live long.
- 3. They wished / prayed that God might save the queen.
- 5. Exclamatory sentences:
- a. Such sentences express exclamation. They contain specific words.
 - Hurrah, Alas, Oh, Wow etc.
- b. The basic structure of the sentence remains assertive i.e.
 - (Sub + Verb).

Imperative sentences:

- A. Sentences that contain order, request, advice, negative command etc.
- B. These sentences start with the main verb e.g. Go,do,Bring, pick, make etc. are changed into 'ordered'.
- 'Please/kindly' are changed into 'requested'.
- C. Sentences containing negative command start with 'Do not'
- or 'Don't'.
- Rules:

'Say / said' should be changed into ordered, requested , advised, ask, asked, beg, begged,tell,told etc.

- Precautions regarding negative command:
- a. Inverted commas are removed and 'not to + V1' is added.

- NOTE: When prohibit, prohibited, prevent etc. are present:
- The structure Prohibit + Object + From + V1st form+(ing) are used.
- Kallu said to his brother, "Do not go out ."
 - Kallu prohibited his brother from going out .

- She said to the interviewer, "Could you please repeat the question?" (1) She requested the interviewer if he could please repeat the question.
 - (2) She requested the interviewer to please repeat the question.
 - (3) She requested the interviewer to repeat the question.
 - (4) She requested the interviewer if he could repeat the question.

- She said to Lita, "Please help me with my homework."
- She requested Lita to help her in her homework.
 Rita requested her to help her with her homework.
 She requested Lita to help her with her homework.
 She requested Lita to help her homework.

- Mother said to you, "When will you start from Mumbai?"
 - (a) Mother asked you when you would start from Mumbai.
 (b) Mother asked you when you will start from Mumbai.
 (c) Mother asked you when you will be starting from Mumbai.
 (d) Mother asked you when you will have started from Mumbai.
- Ans.(a) Sol. Indirect Narration is 'Mother asked you when you would start from Mumbai.'

.Socrates said, "Virtue is its own reward."

Socrates said that virtue had its own rewards.
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- The new student asked the old one, "Do you know my name?"
- (1) The new student asked the old one if he knew his name.
- (2) The new student asked the old one that whether he knew his name.
- (3) The new student asked the old one did he know his name
- (4) The new student asked the old one if he knows his name

Q. I said to my sister, "Where were you this evening?"
(a) I asked my sister where she was that evening.
(b) I asked my sister where she had been that evening.
(c) I asked my sister where she was this evening.
(d) I asked my sister where she has been that evening.

Ans.(b) Sol. Indirect Narration is 'I asked my sister where she had been that evening.'

Q. Bunty said, "I have done my class work".

(a) Bunty said, he had done his class work.(b) Bunty said that he had done his class work.(c) Bunty was saying, he has done his class work.(d) Bunty said that he did his class work.

Ans.(b) Sol. Indirect Narration is 'Bunty said that he had done his class work.' Q. The professor told the class, "Ice floats on water".
(a) The professor told the class that, that ice floats on water.
(b) The professor told the class ice floats on water.
(c) The professor told the class that ice floats on water.
(d) The professor told the class how ice floats on water.

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Ans.(c) Sol. Indirect Narration is 'The professor told the class that ice floats on water.'

- Q. Anita said, "I bought a phone yesterday".
 - (a) Anita said she had bought a phone the day before.
 - (b) Anita said that she had bought a phone the day before.
 - (c) Anita said she has bought a phone the day before.
 - (d) Anita said she has bought a phone yesterday.

Ans.(b)

Sol. Indirect Narration is 'Anita said that she had bought a phone the day before.'

- Q. Dia said to Pari, "Do you like oranges?"
 - (a) Dia asked Pari that did she like oranges.
 - (b) Dia asked Pari if she likes oranges.
 - (c) Dia asked Pari that whether she liked oranges.
 - (d) Dia asked Pari if she liked oranges.

Ans.(d) Sol. Indirect Narration is 'Dia asked pari if she liked oranges.'

- Ravan said, 'what a beautiful rainbow it is'.
- a) Ravan exclaimed wonderfully that the rainbow was very beautiful.
- b) Ravan said with wonder that the rainbow was very beautiful.
- c) Ravan exclaimed with wonder that the rainbow was very beautiful.
- d)Ravan exclaimed with wonder that the rainbow is very beautiful.

• Answer: c)

• Explanation: Ravan exclaimed with wonder that the rainbow was very beautiful.

