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# SENTENCES: Reported Speech



**a) The following tense changes can occur in reported speech. Match them with an appropriate example!**

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| 1. present simple to past simple   | a. He said that he had seen this kind of painting before.                  |
| 2. present perfect to past perfect | b. They told her that she would find out about her exam results very soon. |
| 3. past simple to past perfect     | c. He told us that he had been to New York last year.                      |
| 4. "will" to "would"               | d. Well, he said he was ready, but he wasn't anywhere near done.           |
| 5. "is going to" to "was going to" | e. I don't know where he is, he said he was going to come!                 |

**b) Now complete the following sentences, using reported speech!**

1. I've just seen her. → He said that \_\_\_\_\_.
2. I've never been to Russia. → She told us that \_\_\_\_\_.
3. They arrived yesterday. → The receptionist told us that \_\_\_\_\_.
4. When we got there, the road was already closed. → They said that \_\_\_\_\_.
5. I'll be back by five. → She said that \_\_\_\_\_.
6. I'm sure our team'll win. → He said that \_\_\_\_\_.
7. I don't know but I'm going to find out. → She said that \_\_\_\_\_.
8. I'm going to become a teacher. → She said that \_\_\_\_\_.
9. My husband is a dentist. → She told us that \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Joanne is very good at Maths. → Steve told us that \_\_\_\_\_.



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