**Tема 18 THE VERB: THE REPORTED SPEECH**

**Exercise 1 Yesterday you met a friend of yours, Charlie. Here are some of the things Charlie said to you:**

1 I'm living in London now.

2 My father isn't very well.

3 Sharon and Paul are getting married next month.

4 Margaret has had a baby.

5 I don't know what Fred is doing.

6 I saw Helen at a party in June and she seemed fine.

7 I haven't seen Diane recently.

8 I'm not enjoying my job very much.

9 You can come and stay at my flat if you are ever in London.

10 My car was stolen a few weeks ago.

11 I want to go on holiday but I can't afford it.

12 I'll tell Ann I saw you.

Later that day you tell another friend what Charlie said. Use reported speech.

1 Charlie said that he was living in London now.

2 He said that …………………………………..

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**Exercise 2 Somebody says something to you which is the opposite of what they said before. Write a suitable answer beginning I thought you said ...:**

1 A: That restaurant is expensive.

B: is It? \_I thought you said it was cheap.\_

2 A: Ann is coming to the party tonight.

B: Is she? I thought you said she ---

3 A: Ann likes Paul.

B: Does she? I thought ---

4 A: I know lots of people.

B: Do you? I thought you said you ---

5 A: I'll be here next week.

B: Will you? ---

6 A: I'm going out this evening.

B: Are you? ---

7 A: I can speak a little French.

B: Can you? ---

8 A: I haven't been to the cinema for ages.

B: Haven't you? ---

**Exercise 3 Here are some things that Ann said to you:**

I've never been to the United States.

I don't have any brothers or sisters.

Dave is lazy.

I don't like fish.

I can't drive.

Jane is a friend of mine

I'm working tomorrow evening.

Jane has a very well-paid job.

But later Ann says something different to you. What do you say?

1 Dave works very hard.

\_But you said he was lazy.\_

2 Let's have fish for dinner.

3 I'm going to buy a car.

4 Jane is always short of money.

5 My sister lives in London.

6 I think New York is a fantastic place.

7 Let's go out tomorrow evening.

8 I've never spoken to Jane.

**Exercise 4 Complete the sentences with say or tell (in the correct form). Use only one word each time:**

1 Ann said goodbye to me and left.

2 --- us about your holiday. Did you have a nice time?

3 Don't just stand there! --- something!

4 I wonder where Sue is. She --- she would be here at 8 o'clock.

5 Jack --- me that he was fed up with his job.

6 The doctor --- that I should rest for at least a week.

7 Don't --- anybody what I --- It's a secret just between us.

8 'Did she --- you what happened?' 'No, she didn't --- anything to me.'

9 George couldn't help me. He --- me to ask Kate.

10 George couldn't help me. He --- to ask Kate.

**Exercise 5 The following sentences are direct speech:**

Don't wait for me if I'm late.

Will you marry me?

Hurry up!

Can you open your bag, please?

Mind your own business

Please slow down!

Could you repeat what you said,.please?

Don't worry, sue.

Do you think you could give me a hand, Tom?

Now choose one of these to complete each sentence below. Use reported speech.

1 Bill was taking a long time to get ready, so I \_told him to hurry up.\_

2 Sarah was driving too fast, so I asked ---

3 Sue was very pessimistic about the situation. I told ---

4 I couldn't move the piano alone, so I ---

5 The customs officer looked at me suspiciously and ---

6 I had difficulty understanding him, so I ---

7 I didn't want to delay Ann, so I ---

8 John was very much in love with Mary, so he ---

9 He started asking me personal questions, so ---

**Exercise 6 Make a new sentence from the question in brackets:**

1 (Where has Tom gone?) Do you know where Tom has gone?

2 (Where is the post office?) Could you tell me where ---

3 (What's the time?) I wonder ---

4 (What does this word mean?) I want to know ---

5 (What time did they leave?) Do you know ---

6 (Is Sue going out tonight?) I don't know ---

7 (Where does Carol live?) Have you any idea ---

8 (Where did I park the car?) I can't remember ---

9 (Is there a bank near here?) Can you tell me ---

10 (What do you want?) Tell me ---

11 (Why didn't Kay come to the party?) I don't know ---

12 (Do you have to pay to park here?) Do you know ---

13 (Who is that woman?) I've no idea ---

14 (Did Ann receive my letter?) Do you know ---

15 (How far is it to the airport?) Can you tell me ---

**Exercise 7 You are making a phone call. You want to speak to Sue but she isn't there. Somebody else answers the phone. You want to know three things:**

(1) Where has she gone? (2) When will she be back? and (3) Did she go out alone?

Complete the conversation:

A: Do you know where ---(1)?

B: Sorry, I've got no idea.

A: Never mind. I don't suppose you know ---(2).

B: No, I'm afraid not.

A: One more thing. Do you happen to know ---(3)?

B: I'm afraid I didn't see her go out.

A: OK. Well, thank you anyway. Goodbye.

**Exercise 8 You have been away for a while and have just come back to your home town. You meet Gerry, a friend of yours. He asks you a lot of questions:**

1 How are you?

2 Where have you been?

3 How long have you been back?

4 What are you doing now?

5 Where are you living?

6 Why did you come back?

7 Are you glad to be back?

8 Do you have any plans to go away again?

9 can you lend me some money?

**Now you tell another friend what Gerry asked you. Use reported speech:**

1 \_He asked me how I was.\_

2 He asked me ---

3 He ---

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