

**Make a précis of the following in your own English. (Credit will be given to your own words, not just copying from the question paper). Also suggest a suitable title. (10)**

English education and English language have done immense goods to our country, in spite of their glaring drawbacks. The notions of democracy and self-government are the born of English education. Those who fought and died for our freedom were nursed in the cradle of English thought and culture. The West has made contribution to the East. The history of Europe has fired the hearts of our leaders. Our struggle for freedom has been inspired by the struggles for freedom in England, America and France. If our leaders were ignorant of English and if they had not studied this language, how could they have been inspired by these heroic struggles for freedom in other lands? English, therefore, did us great good in the past and if properly studied will do immense good in future. English is spoken throughout the world. For international contact, our commerce and trade, for the development of our practical ideas, for the scientific studies, English is indispensable "English is very rich in literature," our own literature has been made richer by this foreign language. It will really be a fatal day if we altogether forget Shakespeare, Milton, Keats and Shaw. in order to be up to date with modern education and to be an integral part of international community, we must not take learning English Language for granted.

# Assignment : Make Precis.

Indent the paragraph.

## Significance of English language

Despite ~~if~~ its defects, <sup>E</sup>english language and education <sup>have</sup> has made many contributions to our country among which democracy and self government are two examples. Our leaders, nursed in <sup>E</sup>english education, were inspired by ~~th~~ western thoughts, culture and struggles of freedom. They fought and won freedom. English language has connected the world in commerce, trade and scientific fields. It has enriched our literature. So, to make strong connection with international ~~or~~ community, learning english language is very necessary.

Avoid cutting.

Words = 75

Idea is ok. Structure generally ok.  
Do not use first person in precis. If first person is used in the given passage, start your precis with the phrase "According to the author,..."

# Reported Statements

**Change this direct speech into reported speech:**

1. "He works in a bank"

She said \_\_\_\_\_

2. "We went out last night"

She told me \_\_\_\_\_

3. "I'm coming!"

She said \_\_\_\_\_

4. "I was waiting for the bus when he arrived"

She told me \_\_\_\_\_

5. "I'd never been there before"

She said \_\_\_\_\_

6. "I didn't go to the party"

She told me \_\_\_\_\_

7. "Lucy'll come later"

She said \_\_\_\_\_

8. "He hasn't eaten breakfast"

She told me \_\_\_\_\_

9. "I can help you tomorrow"

She said \_\_\_\_\_

10. "You should go to bed early"

She told me \_\_\_\_\_

11. "I don't like chocolate"

She told me \_\_\_\_\_

12. "I won't see you tomorrow"

She said \_\_\_\_\_

13. "She's living in Paris for a few months"

She said \_\_\_\_\_

14. "I visited my parents at the weekend"

She told me \_\_\_\_\_

15. "She hasn't eaten sushi before"

She said \_\_\_\_\_

16. "I hadn't travelled by underground before I came to London"

She said \_\_\_\_\_

17. "They would help if they could"

She said \_\_\_\_\_

18. "I'll do the washing-up later"

She told me \_\_\_\_\_

You are allowed to submit only one question in one pdf. The remaining questions may be submitted in separate pdfs.

## Reported speech

### Reported statements.

① Ans: She said that he worked in a bank.

② Ans: She told me that they had gone out last night.

③ Ans: She said that she was coming.

④ Ans: She told me that she had been waiting for the bus when she arrived.

⑤ Ans: She said that she had never been there before.

⑥ Ans: She told me that she had not gone to the party.

⑦ Ans: She told me that Lucy would come later.

⑧ Ans: She told me that he had not eaten breakfast.

⑨ Ans: She said that she could help me tomorrow.

(10)

Ans: She told me that I would go to bed early.

(11)

Ans: She told me that she did not like chocolate.

(12)

Ans: She said that she would not see me tomorrow.

(13)

Ans: She said that she was living in Paris for a few months.

(14)

Ans: She told me that she had visited my parents at the weekend.

(15)

Ans: She said that she had not eaten sushi before.

(16)

Ans: She said that she had not been travelling by underground before she <sup>had</sup> come to London.

(17)

Ans: She said that they would help if they could.

18

Ans: she told me that she  
do the washing up later.

# Reported Questions

Change these direct questions into reported speech:

1. "Where is he?"

She asked me \_\_\_\_\_

2. "What are you doing?"

She asked me \_\_\_\_\_

3. "Why did you go out last night?"

She asked me \_\_\_\_\_

4.

"Who was that beautiful woman?"

She asked me \_\_\_\_\_

5. "How is your mother?"

She asked me \_\_\_\_\_

6. "What are you going to do at the weekend?"

She asked me \_\_\_\_\_

7. "Where will you live after graduation?"

She asked me \_\_\_\_\_

8. "What were you doing when I saw you?"

She asked me \_\_\_\_\_

9. "How was the journey?"

She asked me \_\_\_\_\_

10. "How often do you go to the cinema?"

She asked me \_\_\_\_\_

## Reported Questions

Change these direct speech into reported speech:

### Reported speech

①  
Ans: She asked me where he was.

②  
Ans: She asked me what I was doing.

③  
Ans: She asked me why I had gone out last night.

④  
Ans: She asked me who was that beautiful woman.

⑤  
Ans: She asked me how my mother was.

⑥  
Ans: She asked me what I was doing to do at the weekend.

⑦  
Ans: She asked me where I would live after graduation.



⑧

Ans: she asked me what I had been doing when she saw me.

⑨

Ans: She asked me how journey was.

⑩

Ans: She asked me how often I <sup>did</sup> ~~go~~ go to the cinema.

# Reported Requests and Orders

Change the direct speech into reported speech:

1. "Please help me carry this"

She asked me \_\_\_\_\_

2. "Please come early"

She \_\_\_\_\_

3. "Please buy some milk"

She \_\_\_\_\_

4. "Could you please open the window?"

She \_\_\_\_\_

5. "Could you bring the book tonight?"

She \_\_\_\_\_

6. "Can you help me with my homework, please?"

She \_\_\_\_\_

7. "Would you bring me a cup of coffee, please?"

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She \_\_\_\_\_

8. "Would you mind passing the salt?"

She \_\_\_\_\_

9. "Would you mind lending me a pencil?"

She \_\_\_\_\_

10. "I was wondering if you could possibly tell me the time?"

She \_\_\_\_\_

## Reported Requests and Orders.

①

Ans: she requested me to help her carry that.

②

Ans: She said to come early.

③

Ans: she requested to buy her some milk.

④

Ans: she asked me to open the window.

⑤

Ans: she asked me to bring book that night.

⑥

Ans: she requested me to help her in homework.

7

Ans: she requested to bring her a cup of coffee.

8

Ans: She asked if I <sup>would</sup> mind mind passing the salt.

9

Ans: She asked if I would mind lending her a pencil.

10

Ans: she told me that she was wondering if I could possibly tell her the time.