

English (Precis And Composition)

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Assignment # 1

*Rewrite the following sentences written in direct speech, in an indirect speech.

1. Boys said, "It has been raining since morning. We cannot play today."

• Boys said that it had been raining since morning and they could not play that day.

2. She said to him, "I am leaving now and shall return after two hours."

• She told him that she had been leaving now and would return after two hours.

3. The girl has said to me, "My father went to the market and brought toys for me."

• The girl tells me that her father went to the market and brought toys for her.

4. Her husband said to her, "I shall not go to the office today as I am not feeling well."

• Her husband told her that he would not go to the office that day as he was not feeling well.

5. My father said to me, "I fear that you have caught cold again."

• My father told me that he fears that I had caught cold again.

6. His brother said to me, "I am not going to attend the meeting today."

• His brother told me that he was not going to attend the meeting that day.

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7. The inspector said to the people, "We have caught the thief and he will be brought to book soon."
- The inspector told people that they had caught the thief and that he would be brought to book soon.
8. The lady said to her husband, "Whether you agree with me or not I am not going to change my decision?"
- The lady told her husband that whether he agreed with her or not she was not going to change her decision.
9. The landlord has said to the young man, "If you do not pay your rent immediately by evening today you will have to leave the house immediately."
- The landlord tells the young man that if he does not pay his rent by that evening, he will have to leave the house immediately.
10. His wife said to him, "Do you know that my servant stole our money?"
- His wife asked him if he knew that her servant had stolen their money.
11. Her friend said to her, "Can you spare your book for me for a week?"
- Her friend asked her if she could spare her book for her for a week.
12. She has said to him, "Can I do anything for you? Will you mind my extending help to you?"

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- She asks him if she can do anything for him, will he mind her extending help to him.

13. His friend said to him, "Did I not warn you against this beforehand?"

- His friend asked him if he had not warned him against this beforehand.

14. The captain said to the players, "Will you put your heart and soul in playing the game so that we may win the match?"

- The captain asked the players whether they would put their heart and soul in playing the game so that they might win the match.