

DIRECT AND INDIRECT

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Q. Change the narration from direct into indirect speech.

1. "I must go to the dentist tomorrow," he said. "I have an appointment."

A He said that he had an appointment and he would go to the dentist the next day.

2. "What a nuisance! Now I'll have to do it all over again," he exclaimed.

A He exclaimed that it was a nuisance and that he would have to do it all over again then.

3. He said, I mustn't mind if the first one wasn't any good.

A He said that he must not mind if the first one had not been any good.

4. He wanted to know if I was going to concert and suggested that we should make up a party and go together.

A He wanted to know that if I had been going to concert and suggested that they should make up a party and go together.

Q. She told me to look where I was going as the road was full of holes and very badly lit.

A. She asked me to look where I had been going as the road had holes and badly lit.

Q. Do you know anybody in this area or could you get a reference from your Landlady?

He asked me.

A. He asked me that if I knew anybody in this area or if he could get a reference from my Landlady.

Q. "How far is it?" I said, "and how long will take me to get there?"

A. I asked that how far was it and how long would take me to get there.

Q. "If I had spoken to my father as you speak to me he'd have beaten me," he said to me.

A. He said that if I had been speaking to my father as he spoke to me he'd had beaten me.