

Reporting Verbs Exercise 2

Choose the correct reporting verb from this list and finish the reported speech for each example.

Told	Suggested
Said	Asked
Advised	Offered
Warned	Ordered

- "I'd go and see a doctor if I were you," Julie said to me.
Julie _____ me to go and see a doctor.
- "Can you come and help me with this box?"
John _____ me to help him with the box.
- "This is an exam Mr. Jenkins!! Shut up now!!!"
The headmaster _____ Mr. Jenkins to shut up.
- "That road is very dangerous so just be very careful!"
His mother _____ him that the road was very dangerous and to be careful.
- "Liverpool won the match last night."
The journalist _____ that Liverpool had won the match the previous night.
- "Why don't we go and see that new film at the cinema."
Bill _____ going to see the new film at the cinema.
- "I can come and look after the children tomorrow night."
Jane _____ to come and look after the children the following day.
- "The lesson starts at six o'clock in the evening."
The teacher _____ us that the lesson started at six in the evening.

Reporting Verbs Exercise 3

Make a new sentence with the same meaning using the reporting verb in brackets.

- "You shouldn't go into the water" said the coast guard. (advise against)
- "I'll go to France on holiday" said John. (decide, using infinitive)

- 3) "I think you should go to the dentist" Julie said to Tom. (advise, using infinitive)

- 4) "Watch out for the weak bridge" he said. (warn, using 'about')

- 5) "You should apply for the job" said Jack to Stella. (encourage)

- 6) "Okay, Keiko can go to the party" said Keiko's mum. (agree, using clause)

- 7) "The class will start later on Tuesdays" said the teacher to us. (explain + clause)

- 8) "It's a great idea to go to the beach" said Maria. (recommend + verb-ing)

- 9) "Don't cross the road there" she said to the children. (warn, using infinitive)

- 10) "I'll make the coffee!" said David. (insist + on)

- 11) "I'll study really hard for the exam" said Luke. (promise + to + infinitive)

- 12) "This is where the station is" said Klara. (explain, using question word + clause)

- 13) "Right, let's buy the car in the morning!" we said. (agree + infinitive)

- 14) "Don't forget that Lucy needs to go to the dentist" she said to me. (remind, using clause)

15) "How about having Indian food?" I said. (suggest, using verb-ing)

16) "I'll be early" I said to my mother. (promise + clause)

17) "I'm sorry I forgot your birthday" said Amanda to me. (apologise)

18) "I'll leave at six pm!" John said. (decide + clause)

19) "This is how we use the present perfect" said Amy. (explain + question word + infinitive)

20) "Don't forget to buy milk!" said Antonio to Lucia. (remind, using infinitive)