

REPORTED

SPEECH



**We use reported speech when we are saying what other people say, think or believe.**

**“I’m tired!”, Helen said.**

**Helen said (that) she was tired.**



# The Reported Speech...

We usually use a 'reporting verb' like '**say**' or '**tell**'.

For example:

He **said** (that) he wanted to marry me.

He **said to me** (that) he wanted to marry me.

But:

He **told me** (that) he loved me.





# Reporting Verbs... Say & Te

- ✓ With 'tell' we NEED to use the direct object ('me', 'you', 'us').

John **told me** (that) he was going to be late.

- ✓ With 'say' we **CAN** or **CAN'T** use the direct object.

John **said** (that) he would be late.

John **said** to me (that) he would be late.



OR

...

# Example of other Reporting Verbs...

- He decided ....
- He affirmed ...
- He exclaimed ...
- He explained ...
- He confessed ...
- He asked...
- He questioned...
- He wondered...
- He inquired...



# Rules to change sentences from the Direct to Indirect Speech

## 1 Personal Pronouns change (выписать в тетрадь)

Direct Speech	Reported Speech
I →	he / she
You →	I/he/she/you/they
He/She/It →	He/She/It
We →	They
They →	They

Eg. **I** want to go home.

He/She said he/she wanted to go home.

Eg. **You** need to study.

She told me **I** needed to study

Eg. **We** want some fruit.

He said they wanted some fruit.



# Changes of pronouns

- In reported speech, we usually need to **change the pronouns** (e.g. I, you, me, this, these, etc) and **possessive adjectives** (e.g. my, your, etc).
- We usually change the pronouns from :  

1 <sup>st</sup> person (I, me)	→	3 <sup>rd</sup> person
2 <sup>nd</sup> person (you, your)		(we, us)
- However we **do not need to change** the 1<sup>st</sup> person pronoun **I** when the speaker is reporting his/her own words.

# Changes of pronouns

Direct Speech	Indirect/Reported Speech
<b>I</b> <b>you</b> <b>we</b> <b>me</b> <b>you</b> <b>us</b>	<i>he, she</i> <i>I, she, he, we, they</i> <i>they</i> <i>him, her</i> <i>him, her, us, them</i> <i>them</i>
<b>my</b> <b>your</b> <b>our</b> <b>mine</b> <b>yours</b> <b>ours</b>	<i>his, her</i> <i>my, his, her, our, their</i> <i>their</i> <i>his, hers</i> <i>mine, his, hers, ours, theirs</i> <i>theirs</i>





## 2 Verb Tenses change

Reporting word  
(say, tell)

Present or Future

Past

**Don't** change  
the Tense!

**Change** the  
Tense!

**One Tense  
Back!**



When we are reporting things in the present, future or present perfect we **don't** change the tense.

He thinks he loves her.

I'll tell her you are coming.

He has said he'll do it.

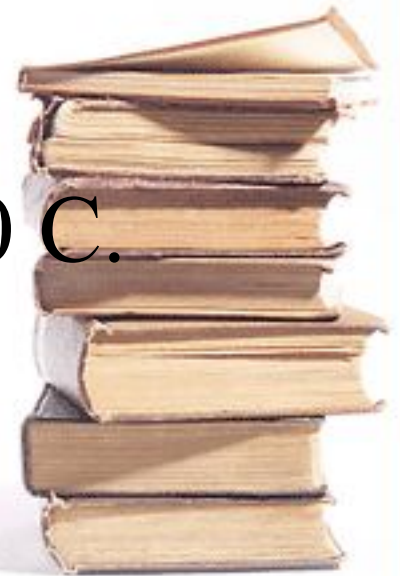
Reporting verb is in the Present Tense!



When we are reporting things  
that are always true (laws of nature)  
we **don't** change the tense  
even when the reporting verb is in the  
Past tense!

He said that the water boils at 100 C.

I told her you are always late!



## IN OTHER CASES:

If the verb in the main sentence is in the **past tense** - the other verbs are usually **in one of the past tense too.**



## 2 Verb Tenses change

(выписать в тетрадь следующие 3 таблицы)

Direct Speech	Indirect Speech
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Present Simple</li><li>• Present Continuous</li><li>• Present Perfect</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Past Simple</li><li>• Past Continuous</li><li>• Past Perfect</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Past Simple</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Past Simple/Perfect</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Future Will</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Would + Bare Infinitive</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Can</li><li>• Shall</li><li>• Must</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Could</li><li>• Should</li><li>• Had to</li></ul>

Direct speech	Indirect speech
<b><i>I. Present Tenses</i></b>	
Present Simple	Past Simple
Present Progressive	Past Progressive
Present Perfect	Past Perfect
Present Perfect Progressive	Past Perfect Progressive
<b><i>II. Past Tenses</i></b>	
Past Simple	Past Perfect
Past Progressive	Past Perfect Progressive
Past Perfect	Past Perfect
<b><i>III. Future Simple</i></b>	
Future Simple	Future-in-the-Past
Future Perfect	Future-in-the-Past Perfect

	<i>Simple</i>	<i>Progressive</i>	<i>Perfect</i>	<i>Perfect - Progressive</i>
<i>Present</i>	<b>V / Vs</b> <i>write</i>	<b>am, is, are + V<sub>ing</sub></b> <i>am writing</i>	<b>have/has + V<sub>3</sub></b> <i>have written</i>	<b>have/has been + V<sub>3</sub></b> <i>have been written</i>
<i>Past</i>	<b>V<sub>2</sub> / V<sub>ed</sub></b> <i>wrote</i>	<b>was/were + V<sub>ing</sub></b> <i>was writing</i>	<b>had + V<sub>3</sub></b> <i>had written</i>	<b>had been + V<sub>3</sub></b> <i>had been written</i>
<i>Future</i>	<b>shall/will + V</b> <i>shall write</i>	<b>shall (will) + be + V<sub>ing</sub></b> <i>shall be writing</i>	<b>shall (will) have + V<sub>3</sub></b> <i>shall have written</i>	<b>shall (will) have been + V<sub>ing</sub></b> <i>shall have been writing</i>
<i>Future-in - the - Past</i>	<b>should/would + V</b> <i>should write</i>	<b>should (would) + be + V<sub>ing</sub></b> <i>should be writing</i>	<b>should(would) have + V<sub>3</sub></b> <i>should have written</i>	<b>should (would) have been + V<sub>ing</sub></b> <i>should have been writing</i>

## Present Simple

I phone my friends every day.”

## Past Simple

She told him (that) she phoned her friends every day

## Present Progressive

I'm waiting for Kate.

## Past Progressive

He said (that) he was waiting for Kate.

## Past Simple

I made it yesterday.

## Past Perfect

He said (that) he made it yesterday.

## Future Simple

I will study better.

## Future-in-the-Past

He said (that) he would study better.

## Present Perfect

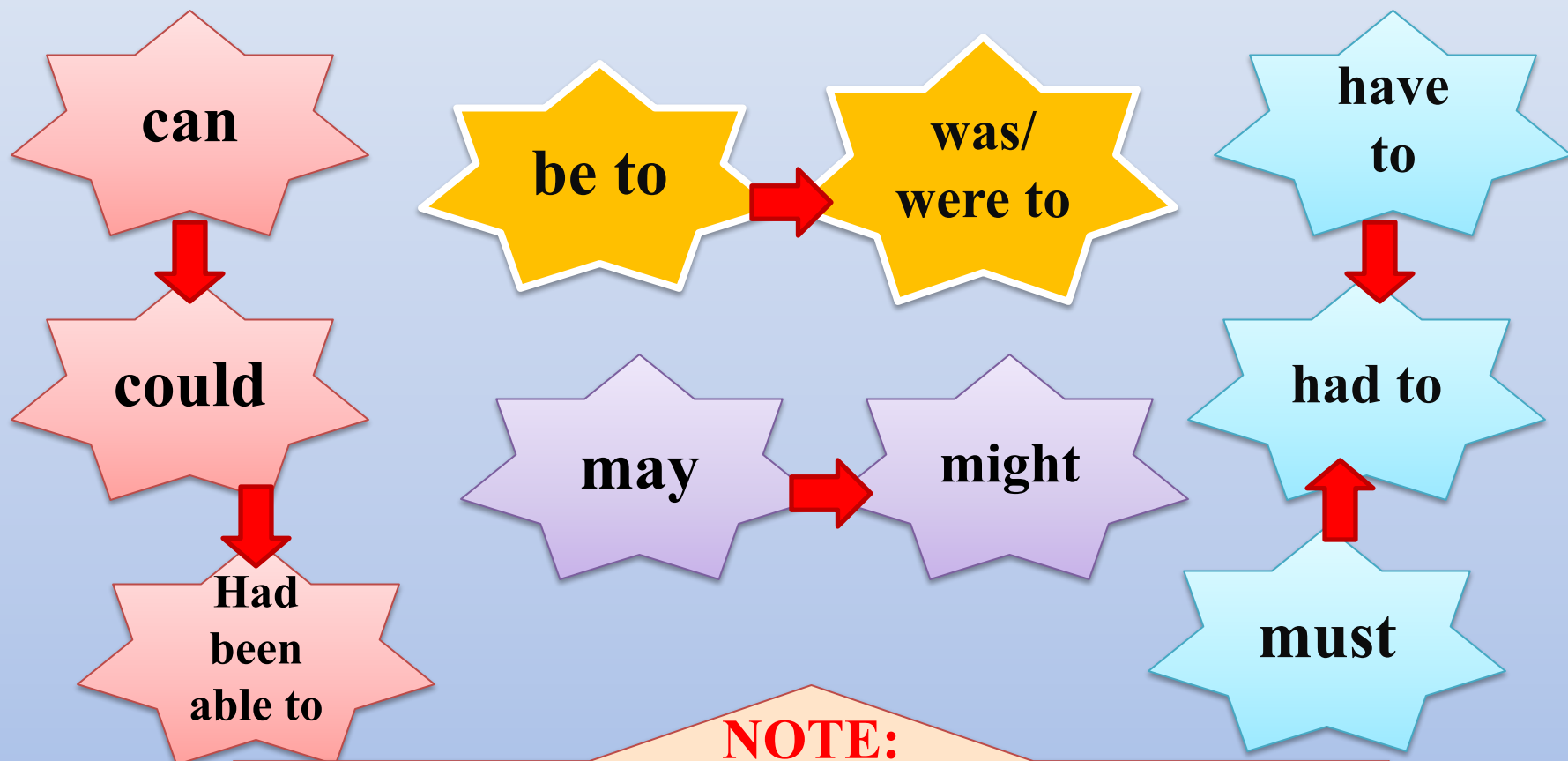
I've been to France three times.

## Past Perfect

He said (that) he had been to France three times.



# Reported changes. Modal Verbs



**NOTE:**

**modal verbs - *could, would, might and should***

***do not change***

# 3. Changes of time words

this

that

tomorrow

the next  
day

these

those

ago

before

now

then

next year

the  
following  
year

today

that day

last week

the  
previous  
week

yesterday

the day  
before

here

there

the day  
after  
tomorrow

two days  
later,  
in two  
days' time

# *Grammar Practice*

## *Change into Reported Speech*

1. “We may buy a car next year” said my grandpa.
2. “I like travelling from time to time” says my cousin.
3. “It will be rain today” said the farmer.
4. “Sharon is going to come here tomorrow” her mother said to me.
5. “I don’t feel lonely thanks to the books I love” says Margaret.
6. “It’s really amazing to read CD books” says Andy.
7. “You must take your medicine twice a day” said a doctor.