GRAMMAR & PUNCTUATION

YEAR 5

Converting Between Direct and Indirect Speech

Practise reporting what people say and punctuating speech.

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Quick reminder

Direct speech gives a speaker's exact words and uses inverted commas. Reported speech tells what someone said without inverted commas around their words. Check whether pronouns or verb tenses need to change.

1 Change direct speech into reported speech

Rewrite each sentence using the beginning provided.

1 'I have packed my lunch,' said Noah.

Noah said that _____

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2 'We are going to the museum tomorrow,' said Ella.

Ella said that _____

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3 'I can finish the puzzle,' said Amir.

Amir said that _____

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2 Change reported speech into direct speech

Write the speaker's words in inverted commas. Keep the meaning the same.

1 Olivia said that she was hungry.

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2 Mr Green asked whether we were ready.

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3 Jack told his sister to switch off the light.

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3 Add the missing punctuation

Rewrite each sentence using inverted commas and the correct punctuation.

1 I cannot find my water bottle said Freya

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2 When does the film start asked Harry

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3 Stop and wait for me shouted Sam