

# REPORTED SPEECH TENSE CHANGES

DIRECT (QUOTED) SPEECH - speech from the original source		INDIRECT (REPORTED) SPEECH - reporting what someone has already said						
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**NOTE - When QUESTIONS are reported SECOND-HAND (what someone else had already asked), not only do you have to 1) make all appropriate tense changes, but 2) change the word order.**

DIRECT SPEECH	INDIRECT SPEECH
WHO } WHAT } WHEN } + VERB + SUBJECT WHERE } WHY }	WHO } WHAT } WHEN } + SUBJECT + VERB WHERE } WHY }
What did you study last night? When will she study English? Where does he work? Why do they sleep so late? Have you been to Mexico?	He asked what <u>I studied</u> last night? He asked when <u>she would study</u> English? He asked where <u>he worked</u> ? He asked why <u>they slept</u> so late? He asked if / whether <u>we had been</u> to Mexico?