

Who said what?



Direct speech uses speech marks around what is actually said.

Example: "I'm going swimming tomorrow," said Katie.

Reported speech has no speech marks and is in the past tense.

Example: Katie said that she was going swimming tomorrow.

Rewrite the following as direct speech:

Miss Wood told the class that there would be no outdoor play today because it was raining too hard.

Mum told the children to go upstairs and tidy their bedrooms before they had their tea.

Dad told Alex that he would not be allowed to go out on his bike after dark until his lights were mended at the weekend.

Alice asked her Mum if she could go to the cinema and also if she could have some pocket money to buy an ice-cream.

I asked if anyone had found my pen and Sophie asked which one I had lost. I told her it was my red one.

Rewrite the following as reported speech:

"Pizza is my favourite food," I told my mum.

"I'm going to the cinema with Sarah," Lucy told Amy.

"The car smashed into the wall of my grandma's house," Carlos told his best friend, Mark.

"The dog chased me all the way home," David said to his Dad, "and I was really scared!"

"We lost the football match last night," Mr Field told the rest of the school, "but the team all played really well so I'm sure we will win next time."