Solutions

REPORTED SPEECH - EXERCISE A

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Reported speech explanation

Turn the following sentences into reported speech:

1. "The boss must sign the letter", Jean said.

Jean said (that) the boss had to sign the letter.

2."Our teacher will go to Madrid tomorrow", Emily said.

Emily said (that) <u>their teacher would go</u> to Madrid <u>the following day</u>.

3. "I was writing a letter yesterday", Helen told me.

Helen told me (that) <u>she had been writing</u> a letter <u>the previous day</u>.

4. "Tim went to the Stadium yesterday", Peter said.

Peter said (that) <u>Tim had gone</u> to the Stadium <u>the day before</u>.

5. "My mother will celebrate her birthday next week", Paul told me.

Paul told me (that) his mother would celebrate her birthday the following week.

6. "John had already gone at six", David said.

David said (that) John had already gone at six.

7. "Are the boys reading a book?" Mandy asked me.

Mandy asked me <u>if the boys were reading a book</u>.

8. "Where are you playing football today?", Jennifer asked.

Jennifer asked where I was playing football that day .

9. "Did Max fly to London two weeks ago?", Paul asked.

Paul asked if Max had flown to London two weeks before .

10. Where are my glasses? My grandmother asked me.

My grandmother asked me <u>where her glasses were</u>.

11. "Clean the blue bike", Andrew told me.

Andrew told me to clean the blue bike .

12. "Write a text message", Jessica told me.

Jessica told me <u>to write a text message</u>.

13. "Don't play football in the garden!", Karen told me.

Karen told me not to play football in the garden .

14. "Don't forget to do your work!", the teacher told me.

The teacher told me <u>not to forget to do my work</u>.