













Reported Speech 2 -sentences





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Present PERFECT I have watched the movie → She said she had watched ...	Past CONTINUOUS I was sleeping → She said she had been sleeping	Future PERFECT I will have arrived at 5pm → She said she would have ...	You should go to sleep → She said I should go ...
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 I was a little chubby when I was a child.	 I ate very unhealthy food.	 I was eating a lot of sweets too.	 I hadn't learned to eat healthily at that time.
5. My friend Tony explained to me (that) _____	6. He also told us (that) _____	7. He explained (that) _____	8. He confessed (that) _____

















 I will be on vacation next month.	 I will be travelling a little to relax.	 I will have already come back for Valentine's day.	 I will have been telling everybody about my trip by the end of next month.
9. My friend Susan expressed that _____	10. She told us (that) _____	11. She admitted (that) _____	12. Finally she accepted (that) _____

 I can do the housework this weekend.	 I am sorry I couldn't tell you the news before.	 He must study harder if he wants to pass the exam.	 I may visit you some time soon!
13. Tony told me _____	14. He also said to me (that) _____	15. He was told (that) _____	16. Tony warned us (that) _____

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 I was a little chubby when I was a child.	 I ate very unhealthy food.	 I was eating a lot of sweets too.	 I hadn't learned to eat healthily at that time.
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