

Reported Speech

A Change the sentences to reported speech by putting the verbs in bold into the correct tense.

- 1 "I **live** near Oxford Street," she said. She said that she*lived*..... near Oxford Street.
- 2 "They **are going** to a club," said Tom. Tom said that they to a club.
- 3 "It **will snow**," said Mum. Mum said that it
- 4 "Gran **bakes** delicious cakes," said Jane. Jane said that Gran delicious cakes.
- 5 "I **can meet** you for lunch," said Karen. Karen said that she meet me for lunch.

B Complete the sentences with the correct words.

- 1 "These are my favourite flowers," said Aunt Jean.
Aunt Jean said that*those*..... were*her*..... favourite flowers.
- 2 "Ken can show this video tomorrow," Mum told Ann.
Mum told Ann that Ken could show video
- 3 "I am watching TV now," said Helen.
Helen said that was watching TV
- 4 "We are going to Switzerland for our holiday next year," said Sheila.
Sheila said that were going to Switzerland for holiday
- 5 "We'll clean the kitchen tonight," said John.
John said that would clean the kitchen

C Write the following sentences in reported speech.

- 1 "I will help you choose a new game for your computer," said Bill.
Bill said that he would help me choose a new game for my computer......
- 2 "I am doing my homework for tomorrow," said Molly.
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- 3 "Many students are feeling ill," said George.
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- 4 "I must phone my mother now," said Gail.
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- 5 "We can save this forest," said the firemen.
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- 6 "I like fish and chips," said David.
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- 7 "Do you like hamburgers?" Tony asked Jill.
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- 8 "Why is the baby crying?" asked the boy.
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Reported Speech – *Answers*

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| 1 | lived | 4 | baked |
| 2 | were going | 5 | could meet |
| 3 | would snow | | |

- B**
- 1 those, her
 - 2 that, the next/following day
 - 3 she, then
 - 4 they, their, the next/following year
 - 5 they, that night

- C**
- 1 Bill said that he would help me choose a new game for my computer.
 - 2 Molly said that she was doing her homework for the next/following day.
 - 3 George said that many students were feeling ill.
 - 4 Gail said that she had to phone her mother then.
 - 5 The firemen said that they could save that forest.
 - 6 David said that he liked fish and chips.
 - 7 Tony asked Jill if she liked hamburgers.
 - 8 The boy asked why the baby was crying.