

## Reported Speech

### A Complete the commands, offers and promises in reported speech. Use the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 "Helen, don't chew gum in class."  
The teacher asked Helen ..... (not chew) gum in class.
- 2 "Catch the ball!"  
The coach told the player ..... (catch) the ball.
- 3 "Kenny, don't wait for me."  
Sandra told Kenny ..... (not wait) for her.
- 4 "I'll buy drinks for the party."  
Jane offered ..... (buy) drinks for the party.
- 5 "Don't argue with me!"  
The man told the boy ..... (not argue) with him.
- 6 "I can pass the ketchup."  
Chris offered ..... (pass) the ketchup.
- 7 "Stop writing this minute!"  
The examiner ordered the students ..... (stop) writing that minute.
- 8 "I'll be home at 6.00."  
Danny's father promised ..... (be) home at 6.00.

### B Complete the suggestions in reported speech.

- 1 "Let's take a taxi," she said.  
She suggested *taking / that we take a taxi* .....
- 2 "Try to exercise more," my doctor said.  
My doctor suggested .....
- 3 "How about going to a film?" Steve suggested.  
Steve suggested .....
- 4 "Ask your brother to help you," the teacher said.  
The teacher suggested .....
- 5 "You should study more," my mother said.  
My mother suggested .....
- 6 "How about going to a concert at the weekend?" Dave suggested.  
Dave suggested .....

## Reported Speech – Answers

- A**
- 1 not to chew
  - 2 to catch
  - 3 not to wait
  - 4 to buy
  - 5 not to argue
  - 6 to pass
  - 7 to stop
  - 8 to be
- B**
- 1 taking / that we take a taxi
  - 2 trying / that I try to exercise more
  - 3 going to / that we go to a film
  - 4 asking / that I ask my brother to help me
  - 5 studying more / that I study more
  - 6 going to a concert at the weekend / that we go to a concert at the weekend