

Direct Speech

Reported Speech

Am

Was

Is

Was

Has

Had

Have

Had

There is

There was

There are

There were

Doesn't

Didn't

Don't

Didn't

Was

Had been

Were

Had been

Had

Had had

Spoke

Had spoken

Didn't speak

Hadn't spoken

Hadn't spoken

Hadn't spoken

"Go/Don't go!"

He told me to go/ not to go.

RULES

DIRECT SPEECH [Verb]

1. Simple Present
2. Present Continuous
3. Present Perfect
4. Present Perfect Continuous
5. Simple Past
6. Past Continuous
7. Past Perfect
8. Past Perfect Continuous

INDIRECT SPEECH [Verb]

1. Simple Past
2. Past Continuous
3. Past Perfect
4. Past Perfect Continuous
5. Past Perfect
6. Past Perfect Continuous
7. Past Perfect
8. Past Perfect Continuous

DIRECT SPEECH		REPORTED SPEECH
Present simple He said, "I want to watch a film"	➔	Past Simple He said (that) he wanted to watch a film
Present Continuous He said, "Jane is sleeping."	➔	Past Continuous He said (that) Jane was sleeping.
Present Perfect She said, "I have bought a new dress."	➔	Past Perfect She said (that) she had bought a new dress.
Past Simple Alex said, "I finished my homework."	➔	Past Perfect Alex said (that) he had finished his homework.
Will She said, "I will always love Tom."	➔	Would She said (that) she would always love Tom.
Can Tom said, "I can carry 50 kg."	➔	Could Tom said (that) he could carry 50 kg.
May Ben said "It may rain."	➔	Might Ben said (that) it might rain.
Must He said, "Everybody must obey the rules."	➔	Had to He said (that) everybody had to obey the rules.
Have to She said, "I have to go home."	➔	Had to She said (that) she had to go home.