REPORTED SPEECH - 2nd part

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When we want to report what someone said, we can use **"direct speech"** or **"reported speech"**

DIRECT SPEECH → we give the <u>exact words</u> that the speaker said, and we use <u>quotation marks</u> ("...")

Charles said, "Did you meet your mother here yesterday?"

REPORTED SPEECH → we refer to <u>what a person has said</u> previously. We usually <u>change</u>:

- **Pronouns**   I → HE   My → HIS
- **Verb tenses**   met → HAD MET
- **Times**   yesterday → THE PREVIOUS DAY
- **Places**   here → THERE

Charles asked IF <u>he</u> <u>had met</u> <u>his</u> mum <u>the previous day</u> <u>there</u>

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Tenses, adjectives, pronouns, etc. in **reported questions** change in the **same way** as in reported statements *(look at charts in REPORTED SPEECH – 1st PART)*

*Some examples:

DIRECT SPEECH VERB	EXAMPLE	INDIRECT SPEECH VERB	EXAMPLE
PRESENT SIMPLE	"How **is** your mother?", she asked	PAST SIMPLE	She asked how my mother **was**
PRESENT CONTINUOUS	"What **are** you **doing**?", they asked	PAST CONTINUOS	They asked what we **were doing**
PAST SIMPLE	He asked me "**Did** you **write** two letters to her?"	PAST SIMPLE/ PAST PERFECT	*He asked if I **wrote** two letters to her *He asked if I **had written** two letters to her

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COMPLETE THE REPORTED QUESTION WITH THE CORRESPONDING VERB TENSE:

<u>**SPEAKER´S WORD**</u>   →   →   <u>**REPORTED SPEECH**</u>

"What are you looking for?"   You asked what I _____ for.

"Where can we go tonight?   She asked where we _____ tonight.

"Have you read the news?"   You asked me if I _____ the news.

"Will you go to the party?"   He asked me if I _____ to the party.

"How old are the twins?"   She asked how old the twins _____.

"Would you like a drink?"   He asked if he _____ a drink.

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Important !!

In **REPORTED QUESTIONS**:

He asked: "Does she live in Edinburgh?" ➡ He asked whether she lived in Edinburgh

The **word order** is the same as in statements

He asked whether **she lived** in Edinburgh

> Subject + verb

❌ We do not use the **auxiliary verb**

He asked whether **she** ❌ lived in Edinburgh

❗ Except in NEGATIVE QUESTIONS. Look at:

"Who **doesn´t** like coffee?" → She asked me who **didn´t like** coffee

❌ We do not use **question marks** (?)

He asked whether she lived in Edinburgh ❌

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CORRECT THE MISTAKES:

1. She asked me if could I tell her how to get to Paris

2. He asked me what I wanted?

3. They asked me if I did want to come

4. I asked Peter where did he lived

5. She asked what time arrived the train?

> So…what did my client ask you?

> She asked him if he was all right after so much time lost in the jungle…

YES / NO QUESTIONS

- This type of questions is reported by using **"ASK"**

    "Do you speak French?" → He **asked** me if I spoke French

    "Were you watching TV?" → They **asked** if I was watching TV

- We use **IF / WHETHER** to introduce yes / no reported questions

    "Are you Spanish or Portuguese?" → She asked **if** he was Spanish or Portuguese

    "Are you English or Scottish?" → She asked **whether** he was English or Scottish

WH- QUESTIONS

- This type of questions is reported by using **"ASK"**

    "Where did you go yesterday?" → He **asked** me where I went the other day

    "Who has phoned?" → I **asked** my mother who had phoned

- We use **WH- QUESTIONS WORDS** to introduce wh- reported questions

    "What is your name?" he asked me → He asked me **what** my name was

    "When can we meet again?" I asked him → I asked him **when** we could meet again

REMEMBER!
Wh – question words are:

*WHAT   *WHERE   *WHEN

   *WHY   *WHO
                  *HOW   *WHICH

*WHOSE   *WHOM

LET'S PRACTICE...

⭐ **REWRITE EACH SENTENCE IN REPORTED SPEECH. USE "SHE ASKED ME" AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH ANSWER:**

1. Where is he? → _She asked me_ where he was

2. Do you know Johnny? → _She asked me_ if I knew Johnny

3. Have you been to Paris? →

4. How often do you go to the cinema? →

5. How was the journey? →

6. Can you help me? →

7. What were you doing when I saw you? →

8. Are you working tonight? →

9. Who was that beutiful woman? →

10. Will you come later? →

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⭐ **REWRITE EACH SENTENCE IN REPORTED SPEECH, BEGINNING AS SHOWN:**

1. "Are you staying here all the summer?" the little girls asked me

    The little girl asked me _if/whether I was staing there all summer_

2. "Have you studied History for your exam, or not?" my mother asked me

    My mother asked me

3. "When is your graduation?" I asked Jack

    I asked Jack

4. "Why have you sold your laptop?" Ray asked me

    Ray asked me

5. "Did you remember to phone the office?" my boss asked me

    My boss asked me