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English

Narration : Direct and Indirect
Speech

Questions with Explanation



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91. Choose the correct indirect speech alternative of 'He said, "Oh no! I missed the train."
(a) He exclaimed with sorrow that he had missed the train.
(b) He exclaimed with sorrow that he missed the train.
(c) He exclaimed with sorrow that he has missed the train.
(d) He exclaimed with sorrow that he would miss the train.
[Stenographer Exam, 2021]
92. Choose the correct indirect speech alternative of 'The geography teacher said, "The earth is round."
(a) The geography teacher said that the earth was ground.
(b) The geography teacher said that the earth had been round.
(c) The geography teacher said that the earth has been round.
(d) The geography teacher said that the earth is round.
[Stenographer Exam, 2021]
93. "Do the staff have any problem?" the manager asked.
(a) The manager inquired whether the staff had had may problem.
(b) The manager inquired whether the staff had any problem.
(c) The manager inquired whether the staff have any problem.
(d) The manager inquired whether the staff have had any problem.

[SSC Stenographer (Grad C & D), 2012]



94. She said, "I will try to bring you the books tomorrow."
- (a) She said that she should try to bring me the books the next day.
- (b) **She said that she would try to bring me the books the next day.**
- (c) She said that she would try to bring me the books tomorrow.
- (d) She said that she should try to bring me the books tomorrow.

[SSC (10+2) & LDC Exam, 2013]

Change the narration -

95. "Must you go so soon?", I said.
- (a) I asked him go soon.
- (b) I told him he should go soon.
- (c) I told him he must not go soon.
- (d) **I asked him if he had to go so soon.**

[School Lecturer Exam, 2020]

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Change the narration :

96. Mary asked if she could stay with us.
- (a) Mary asked should she stay with you.
- (b) **Mary said, "Can I stay with you?"**
- (c) "Should you stay with me?" said Mary.
- (d) "Would you stay with Mary?"

[संरक्षण अधिकारी, 2019]

Choose the correct indirect sentence :

97. Abhimanyu said, "Please give me a glass of water."
- (a) **Abhimanyu requested to give him a glass of water.**
- (b) Abhimanyu requests to give him a glass of water.
- (c) Abhimanyu requesting to give him a glass of water.
- (d) Abhimanyu request to give him a glass of water.

[PSI (Motor Vehicle), 2022]



98. Mohit said to Monu, "Where is your house?"

- (a) Mohit asked Monu where was your house.
- (b) Mohit asked Monu where your house was.
- (c) Mohit asked Monu where your house has been.
- (d) Mohit asked Monu where his house was.

[I Grade (English), 2020]

99. He said that he needn't be in the office till ten the next morning.
(Direct)

- (a) He said, "I needn't be in the office till ten tomorrow morning."
- (b) He told me, "I needn't be in the office till ten in the morning."
- (c) He said, "You are not needed in the office from ten in the morning."
- (d) He advised, "Stay away from the office till ten tomorrow morning."

[I Grade (English), 2020]

100. "Bring me an elephant with one golden tusk," the witch told her minion.

- (a) The witch requested her minion to bring her an elephant with one golden tusk.
- (b) The witch told her minion to bring her the elephant with one golden tusk.
- (c) The witch ordered her minion to bring her an elephant with one golden tusk.
- (d) The witch advised her minion to bring her an elephant with one golden tusk.

[SSC (10+2) & LDC Exam, 2013]

101. Abhay said, "I will go to Surat tomorrow."

- (a) Abhay said that he would go to Surat the next day.
- (b) Abhay said he would go to Surat tomorrow.
- (c) Abhay said he will be going to Surat tomorrow.
- (d) Abhay said that he would go to Surat tomorrow.

[SSC CHSL (S-1), 2017]



Change to Direct Speech :

102. Alice exclaimed that she was very clever.

- (a) Alice said, "Oh! I am clever."
- (b) Alice said, "Alas! I am very clever."
- (c) Alice said, "Bravo! I so clever."
- (d) Alice said, "How clever I am!"

[Librarian Grade-II, 2020]

Identify the appropriate choice in change of narration of the following sentences.

103. Warner said, "I will be waiting here."

- (a) Warner said that he would be waiting here.
- (b) Warner said that he would be waiting there.
- (c) Warner wanted to wait there.
- (d) Warner said that he would not wait here.

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[Highcourt LDC, 2017]

Identify the appropriate choice in change of narration of the following sentences.

104. "Do you know French?" she said.

- (a) She exclaimed that I know French.
- (b) She said that I was knowledgeable about French.
- (c) She tried asking me about French.
- (d) She asked me if I knew French.

[Highcourt LDC, 2017]

105. Abhinav said to me, "Bring me a glass of water". (Change into indirect speech)

- (a) Abhinav asked me to bring him a glass of water.
- (b) Abhinav asked him to bring me a glass of water.
- (c) Abhinav told me to bring water.
- (d) None of the above.

[Highcourt LDC, 2017]