

CHAPTER-5 | Direct - Indirect Speech

QUIZ-01

1. Choose the correct indirect speech: He said, "I am going to the market."
 A. He said that he was going to the market.
 B. He said that he is going to the market.
 C. He said that I am going to the market.
 D. He says that he is going to the market. (A)

Explanation : When converting to indirect speech, the present continuous "am going" becomes "was going" and the pronoun "I" changes to "he."

2. Change into direct speech: She said that she had finished her homework.

- A. She said, "She finished her homework."
 B. She said, "I finished my homework."
 C. She said, "I have finished my homework."
 D. She said, "I had finished my homework." (D)

Explanation : "She had finished" becomes "I had finished" in direct speech, as the speaker refers to herself.

3. What is the correct indirect speech of: "Do you like music?" he asked.

- A. He asked if I like music.
 B. He asked if I liked music.
 C. He asked do I like music.
 D. He asked that I liked music. (B)

Explanation : In indirect speech, the question form "do you like" becomes "if I liked" (tense change from present to past).

4. Identify the correct direct speech: The teacher said that the Earth revolves around the Sun.

- A. The teacher said, "The Earth revolved around the Sun."
 B. The teacher said, "The Earth revolves around the Sun."
 C. The teacher said, "Earth is revolving around the Sun."
 D. The teacher said, "The Earth had revolved around the Sun." (B)

Explanation : Universal truths do not change tense in indirect speech. So, "revolves" remains the same.

5. What is the indirect speech of: He said to me, "Please help me."

- A. He said to me to help him.
 B. He asked me to help him.
 C. He told me that help him.
 D. He said me to help him. (B)

Explanation : "Please help me" is a polite request, so it becomes "He asked me to help him" in indirect

speech.

6. Convert into indirect speech: She said, "I can solve the problem."

- A. She said that she will solve the problem.
 B. She said that she could solve the problem.
 C. She said that she can solve the problem.
 D. She said that she may solve the problem. (B)

Explanation : "Can" changes to "could" in indirect speech when the reporting verb is in the past tense.

7. Choose the correct indirect speech: He said, "I have lost my keys."

- A. He said that he had lost his keys.
 B. He said that he has lost his keys.
 C. He said that I have lost my keys.
 D. He said that he lost his keys. (A)

Explanation : Present perfect "have lost" changes to past perfect "had lost" in indirect speech.

8. Change into direct speech: They said that they would come the next day.

- A. They said, "We will come tomorrow."
 B. They said, "We would come tomorrow."
 C. They said, "We would come the next day."
 D. They said, "They will come tomorrow." (A)

Explanation : "Would come the next day" becomes "will come tomorrow" in direct speech.

9. What is the indirect speech of: She said, "Where are you going?"

- A. She asked me where I was going.
 B. She said me where I was going.
 C. She asked where was I going.
 D. She asked me where am I going. (A)

Explanation : In indirect speech, the question format changes to a statement form and tense shifts accordingly.

10. Choose the correct indirect speech: Ram said, "I will call you tonight."

- A. Ram said that he would call me tonight.
 B. Ram said that he will call me that night.
 C. Ram said that he would call me that night.
 D. Ram said he will call me tonight. (C)

Explanation : "Will" changes to "would" and "tonight" changes to "that night" in indirect speech.