

REPORTED SPEECH

PRACTICE:

I. Choose the correct answers:

- Jack asked me _____.
A. where do you come from
B. when I came from
C. where I came from
D. where did I come from?
- She asked me _____ I liked pop music.
A. when
B. what
C. if
D. where
- The doctor _____ him to take more exercise.
A. told
B. tell
C. have told
D. are telling
- I wanted to know _____ return home.
A. when would she
B. when will she
C. when she will
D. when she would
- Claire told me that her father _____ a race horse.
A. owns
B. owned
C. owning
D. A and B
- What did that man say _____?
A. at you
B. for you
C. to you
D. you
- I rang my friend in Australia yesterday, and she said it _____ raining there.
A. is
B. were
C. has been
D. was
- The builders have _____ that everything will be ready on time.
A. promised
B. promise
C. promises
D. promising
- My mother told me I _____ out late at night.
A. shouldn't go
B. should go
C. should have gone
D. shouldn't have gon
- She looked very relaxed. She explained she'd been on holiday the _____ week.
A. ago
B. following
C. next
D. previous
- Yesterday, Laura _____ him to put some shelves up.
A. asked
B. is asking
C. ask
D. was asked
- Tom has _____ this story wasn't completely true.
A. admitting that
B. was admitted that
C. admitted that
D. admit that
- When I rang Tessa some time last week, she said she was busy _____ day.
A. that
B. the
C. then
D. this

14. I wonder _____ the tickets are on sale yet.
 A. what C. where
 B. when D. whether
15. Mathew _____ Emma that her train was about to leave.
 A. has reminded C. reminded
 B. has reminded that D. reminded that

II. Write the reported speech of these sentences:

1. "If the weather is fine, I will go on a picnic with my friends," she said.

2. "What would you do if you had three days off?" I asked him.

3. "I would have come to see you if I had known your address, Jim" she said.

4. "I'm sure she will help you if you ask her." , he told me.

5. "If Today were Sunday, we wouldn't go to school." They said to me.

6. She said to me, "If I were you, I wouldn't tell her about this."

7. "There would not be enough seats if a lot of guests came."

8. "You will be surprised if you meet him." , Peter said to Linda.

9. The boy said : "I won't be strong if I don't swim everyday."

10. "What would you do if you saw a snake ?" Nam asked Nga.

III. Listen and fill in the blanks (File 01):

An American (1) once said the only thing you have to fear is fear itself. Can't
 (2) which President, but never mind. I think that's an interesting
 (3). It's so true, (4) of the time. We all spend a lot of time
 (5) or afraid that something bad will happen, and then
 (6) happens. It is the fear that (7) us, not the thing that might or might not
 happen. And then there are (8). Millions of people are
 (9) of something that the rest of the world thinks is quite
 (10). How can you be afraid of things like (11)
 butter? There's actually a fear of peanut butter (12) to the roof of your
 mouth. Amazing. Fear is (13) good. It makes us (14)
 and can keep us safe in a (15) situation.

IV. Write the reported speech of these sentences:

1. "Open the door." he said to them.
 - He told them.....
2. "Where are you going?" he asked her.
 - He asked her where.....

3. "Which way did they go?" he asked.
- He asked... ..
4. "Bring it back if it doesn't fit.", I said to her.
- I told... ..
5. "Don't try to open it now." she said to us.
- She told... ..
6. "Is it going to be a fine day today?" I asked her.
- I asked her... ..
7. "He's not at home.", she said.
- She said that... ..
8. "Is the bus station far away?" the girl asked.
- The girl wanted to know... ..
9. "Don't stay out late, Ann." Tom said.
- Tom told Ann... ..
10. "Please let me borrow your car." he said to her.
- He asked... ..
11. "Jean, have you seen my gloves?" Thomas asked.
- Thomas asked Jean.. ..
12. Don't leave the window open, Mary.", I said.
- I told Mary.... ..
13. "I'll have a cup of tea with you." she said.
- She said that.. ..
14. "I'll pay him if I can." she said.
- She said that... ..
15. "What are you going to do next summer?" she asked.
- She asked us.... ..
16. "I'll phone you tomorrow." he told Jack.
- He told Jack that.... ..
17. "Can I sit beside you, Jean?" Tom asked.
- Tom asked Jean.... ..
18. "I want a camera for my birthday." he said.
- He said that.... ..
19. "Don't keep the door locked." he said to us.
- He told us.... ..
20. "How long are you going to stay?" I asked him.
- I asked him how long.... ..
21. "Are you going by train?" she asked me.
- She wanted to know.... ..
22. "Don't use too much hot water." she said to us.
- She asked us.... ..
23. "Will you come to my party?" she said to me.
- She invited me.... ..
24. "Don't do it again." she said to them.
She told them..... ..
25. " Did Mr Brown send the potatoes to you?" she asked.
- She asked..... ..

26. "Don't get your shoes dirty, boys." she said.
 - She told.....
27. "What do you want for lunch today, Peter?" Mary asked.
 - Mary asked.....
28. "Can I borrow your typewriter, Janet?" asked Peter.
 - Peter asked if
29. "Why didn't I get a computer before?" thought the office manager.
 - The office manager wondered.....
30. "You had better not lend him any more money, Elizabeth." said John.
 - John advised Elizabeth.....
31. "You stole my best cassette, Amanda!" said John.
 - John accused.....
32. " You damaged my bicycle, John!" said Mary.
 - Mary accused.....
33. "When was your little boy born?" said the nurse to Mrs. Bingley.
 - The nurse asked Mrs. Bingley.....
34. "You should take more exercise, Mr. Robert." the doctor said.
 - The doctor advised.....
35. "Will I find a job?", Tim said to himself.
 - Tim wondered.....
36. "I'm sorry I gave you the wrong number." said Paul to Susan.
 - Paul apologized.....
37. "When is the first day of your holiday, Peter?" Martha asked.
 - Martha asked Peter when.....
38. "Can I have a new bicycle?" said Anna to her mother.
 - Anna asked.....
- 39.. "Don't leave the house until I get back, William.", his mother said.
 - William's mother told.....
40. "Don't bite your nails." said Mrs. Rogers to her son.
 - Mrs. Rogers told.....

MORE PRACTICE:

I. Read the text below and answer the questions:

CHRISTMAS

Christmas is the biggest festival of the year in most of Britain. Celebrations start properly on December 24, Christmas Eve, although there have been several weeks of preparation beforehand. The Christmas tree and all the presents, food, drink and decorations have been bought. Christmas cards have already been sent to friends and relations. About a week before Christmas, people usually put up their decorations and decorate the Christmas tree with lights, various colored decorations and an angel on the top. Family presents are usually put under the tree.

Christmas Day is the biggest day of the holiday. On the Christmas morning (often very early), children open the presents that are in their socks. Some families go to church. The traditional Christmas dinner consists of roast turkey with potatoes and various other vegetables. Before the dinner, people usually pull crackers-small rolls of paper that have gifts, jokes, and party hats inside.

1. *People usually decorate the Christmas tree*

- A. on December 24
- B. on December 25
- C. several weeks before Christmas
- D. on December 18

2. *The most important day of the holiday is*

- A. the day before Christmas
- B. the day after Christmas Day
- C. Christmas Eve
- D. Christmas Day

3. *Children open the presents*

- A. on the Christmas morning
- B. on the Christmas afternoon
- C. on Christmas Eve
- D. on December 24

4. *Which of the following is the traditional Christmas dinner?*

- A. Roast turkey and potatoes and bread
- B. Roast potatoes, tomatoes with turkey and various vegetables
- C. Roast turkey with tomatoes and various other vegetables
- D. Roast turkey with potatoes and vegetables

II. Write the reported speech of these sentences:

1. "What's the time?" he asked.

→ He wanted to know

2. "When will we meet again?" she asked me.

→ She asked me

3. "Are you crazy?" she asked him.

→ She asked him

4. "Where did they live?" he asked.

→ He wanted to know

5. "Will you be at the party?" he asked her.

→ He asked her

6. "Can you meet me at the station?" she asked me.

→ She asked me

7. "Who knows the answer?" the teacher asked.

→ The teacher wanted to know

8. "Why don't you help me?" she asked him.

→ She wanted to know

9. "Did you see that car?" he asked me.

→ He asked me

10. "Have you tidied up your room?" the mother asked the twins.

→ The mother asked the twins
