

Direct and Reported Speech.

- A.** Copy the following examples of reported speech into your books, then write them out again as direct speech. The first example is done for you.

Miss Hull said that we were very noisy today.

"You are very noisy class eleven!" moaned Miss Hull.

- 1) Mrs Millhouse claimed that the Christmas Fayre would be a success.
- 2) Mrs Prisk shouted at the boy to stop running in the hall.
- 3) Mark laughed at Elly, saying her dress was silly.
- 4) Emma told Emily that she could not come to the party.
- 5) Sally complained that her shoes were too tight.
- 6) Chris mumbled that he felt sick.
- 7) Joe exclaimed that he won the match!
- 8) Carol offered to cook the dinner.

- B.** Now do the same with the following sentences, only this time you will be changing direct speech in to reported speech. The first one was been done for you.

"I'm scared of rollercoasters," Mum said to Dad.

Mum told Dad that she was scared of rollercoasters.

- 1) "Get down from there!" the park keeper shouted at the boys.
- 2) "What time is the next bus to Stratford?" asked the old lady.
- 3) "We need to take the next turning on the left," Kevin told the driver.
- 4) "I'd like to have a steak and some chips please," the customer said to the waiter.
- 5) "Excuse me. Are you waiting in the queue?" Barry enquired.
- 6) "Can I please have a kilogram of potatoes?" the man asked the greengrocer politely.
- 7) "It's no good. The doors are completely stuck," the fireman shouted to his colleagues.
- 8) "I really want to see the new Superman film. It looks amazing," Jordan said, his voice full of excitement.

- C.** Look in your reading book and find some examples of direct speech. Write them in to your literacy book and then change them in to reported speech underneath.