

Grammar

Indirect speech: Statements – Exercise

Put the following statements into Indirect Speech.

1. I told myself, 'If I had more time, I'd exercise more.'

For the purpose of this exercise, use 'that' to connect the two parts.
Example:
Jane said, 'I'm not feeling well today.'
Jane said <u>that</u> she was not feeling well that day
Ed said (to me), 'I forwarded you an e-mail yesterday.''
Ed said <u>that</u> he'd forwarded \emph{me} an e-mail the day before / the previous day

2. He told her, 'You must have made a mistake.'
3. She said to me, 'I shall send you a copy.'
4. She said, 'I was shown the results.'
5. They told me, 'We can't meet the deadline.'
6. She was told, 'You must move your vehicle.'
7. He said, 'I could find a solution.'
8. Sally said, 'The situation could get worse.'



9. She said (to me), 'I'll catch up with you.'
10. Susan said to us, 'I might join you later.'
11. The boss informed us, 'You may not smoke in the office.'
12. He said, 'This should help you sleep better.'
13. I told them, 'If you go that way, you'll get lost.'
14. He explained, 'The firm has ten subsidiaries worldwide.'
15. Ben explained to us, 'Things didn't go according to plan.'
16. Emma announced, 'I've handed in my resignation.'
17. He said, 'I'd never had such a warm welcome.'
18. She informed the board, 'The turnover has risen by 20%.'
19. She told us, 'I'll have finished by the time you arrive.'
20. Jack told her, 'I am having problems with the case.'
21. She explained, 'I've been playing golf for a year.'



22. He announced, 'We're getting married in June.'
23. I explained to him, 'I was waiting for a phone call.'
24. She said, 'I am going to cancel the contract.'
25. We told her, 'We used to spend our holidays in Greece.'
26. He explained to me, 'I didn't use to be so slim.'
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27. She told me, 'I'd like some advice from you.'
28. He told her, 'I may come back tomorrow.'
29. Bill said: 'I handed in my notice yesterday.
30. She explained: 'I've been extremely busy today.'
31. He mentioned: 'I'm going to eat out tonight.'
32. Peter said: 'I'll be coming home next Thursday.'
33. He told her: 'I'm leaving now.'
34. He explained: 'I'm too busy now to speak to her.'
35. I told him: 'I was staying with Jim last month.'

