

### Direct and Reported Speech

- A. Copy the following examples of reported speech, and then write them out again as **direct speech**. The first example has been 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 has 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.