

# PRACTICE QUESTIONS

**I. Directions** (Q. Nos. 1-10) Choose the correct indirect form of the following sentences from the given options.

1. Rupak said, "I live in the City Centre."
  - (a) Rupak said that he lives in the City Centre.
  - (b) Rupak said that he had lived in the City Centre.
  - (c) Rupak said that he lived in the City Centre.
  - (d) Rupak said that he has lived in the City Centre.
2. She said, "I haven't seen them since last week."
  - (a) She said that she hadn't seen them since the previous week.
  - (b) She says that she hadn't seen them since the previous week.
  - (c) She said that she hadn't seen them since last week.
  - (d) She said that she has seen them since last week.
3. Nupur said to me, "Did you see my cat?"
  - (a) Nupur asked me if I have seen my cat.
  - (b) Nupur asked me if I had seen her cat.
  - (c) Nupur told me if I had seen her cat.
  - (d) Nupur said to me if I had seen her cat.
4. The old man said, "Please always speak the truth."
  - (a) The old man says to them to always speak the truth.
  - (b) The old man requests them to always speak the truth.
  - (c) The old man requested them to always speak the truth.
  - (d) The old man told them to always speak the truth.
5. Roopali said, "Alas! My brother died of Covid."
  - (a) Roopali said that her brother had died of Covid.
  - (b) Roopali told me that her brother died of Covid.
  - (c) Roopali exclaimed with wonder that her brother had died of Covid.
  - (d) Roopali exclaimed with sorrow that her brother had died of Covid.

6. She said to me, "Can you type?"
  - (a) She asked me if I could type.
  - (b) She asked me if I can type.
  - (c) She said to ask me if I could type.
  - (d) She told me I could type.
7. "What time does the train arrive?" she asked.
  - (a) She said what time the train arrived.
  - (b) She asked what time the train had arrived.
  - (c) She asked what time the train arrived.
  - (d) She told what time the train does arrive.
8. The policeman said to the boy, "Where do you live?"
  - (a) The policeman asked the boy where he had lived.
  - (b) The policeman told the boy where he did lived.
  - (c) The policeman asked the boy where he lived.
  - (d) The policeman said to the boy where he do lived.
9. The teacher asked the pupil, "Have you done your work?"
  - (a) The teacher asked the pupil if he had done his work.
  - (b) The teacher asked the pupil if he has done his work.
  - (c) The teacher asked the pupil whether he had done his work.
  - (d) Both (a) and (c)
10. He said to me, "Why have you resigned from your job?"
  - (a) He said to me why had I resigned from my job.
  - (b) He asked me why I did resigned from my job.
  - (c) He asked me why I had resigned from my job.
  - (d) He told me why did I resigned from my job.

**II. Change the following into reported speech.**

- A. 1. Rita says, "Kishore sang a song."  
2. The saint said, "Man is mortal."  
3. You said, "We are learning our lesson."



4. He said to me, "My father went to Mumbai last week."
5. I said to her, "Are you leaving tonight?"
6. He said to her, "Can you lend me your umbrella?"
7. She said, "I saw a tiger here."
8. The principal said, "Well done! my boys".
9. She said, "Let them play."
10. I said to Harsh, "Please help me."

- B.
1. He asked me, "Where has he gone?"
  2. The Prime Minister said, "National Integrity will be preserved at all costs. "
  3. She said, "My uncle came yesterday."
  4. Sheela said to us, "You must work hard."
  5. They said, "We trust in God."
  6. The officer said to him, "You will be dismissed if you do not attend the office in time."
  7. He said to me, "I am reading a book."
  8. He said, "Thanks for reminding me."
  9. She said, "Keep this room open."
  10. I said to him, "I went there on Tuesday."

### III. Choose the correct option.

- A.
1. I advised him ..... it.  
(a) to not do  
(b) not to do  
(c) not do
  2. She told me ..... careful.  
(a) be  
(b) to be  
(c) that be
  3. She asked me if I .....my lunch.  
(a) ate  
(b) have eaten  
(c) had eaten
  4. She asked me ..... going to the movies  
(a) that I was  
(b) if was I  
(c) if I was
  5. The dentist suggested ..... get a new toothbrush.  
(a) me to  
(b) that I should  
(c) me that I should
- B.
1. The girl said that it ..... to be there that evening.  
(a) gave her great pleasure  
(b) gives her great pleasure  
(c) gives her great pleasure

2. The man said that he ..... as soon as possible.  
(a) must go  
(b) had gone  
(c) should be gone
3. She said that she ..... to see any of them and asked them to go away.  
(a) does not want  
(b) did not want  
(c) had not wanted
4. The teacher says that if you work hard you .....  
(a) would pass  
(b) will pass  
(c) pass
5. He said that he .....  
(a) won  
(b) has won  
(c) had won

### IV. Complete the sentence in reported speech.

- A.
1. Ravi said, "I love this place".  
Ravi said .....
  2. "Do you like football?" he asked me.  
He asked me .....
  3. "I can't drive a lorry", he said.  
He said .....
  4. "Be nice to your brother", he said  
He asked me .....
  5. "Don't be nasty", he said  
He urged me .....
  6. "Don't waste your money", she said.  
She told the boys .....
  7. "What have you decided to do?", she asked him .....
  8. "I always wake up early", he said.  
He said .....
  9. "You should revise your lessons", he said.  
He advised the students .....
  10. "Where have you been?" he asked me.  
He wanted to know .....
- B.
1. She said, "I went to cinema yesterday."  
She said .....
  2. You said, "I will do this for him."  
You said .....
  3. He said, "I am writing a test tomorrow".  
He said .....
  4. She said, "I am not hungry now".  
She said .....
  5. They said, "We have never been here before."  
They said .....



6. They said, "We were in London last week."  
They said .....
7. He said, "They won't sleep."  
He said .....
8. "Have you been shopping?" He asked us.  
He wanted to know .....
9. She said, "It is very quiet here".  
She said .....
10. "I don't speak Italian", she said.  
She said .....

**V. Read the dialogues and complete the reports.**

- A.**
1. **Doctor** How do you feel now?  
**Patient** Slightly better.  
**Doctor** Did you take the medicines regularly?  
**Patient** Yes The doctor asked the patient how (a) ..... The patient replied that (b) ..... better. When the doctor asked him if (c) ..... the medicines regularly, he replied in affirmation.
  2. **Teacher** Why are you crying, Radha?  
**Radha** Madam, Mansi has broken my pen.  
**Teacher** I'll arrange a new pen for you  
**Radha** You said this yesterday also.  
Radha was crying in her classroom. The teacher saw her and asked (a) .....  
Radha replied (b) ..... her pen, The teacher promised that she would arrange a new pen for her. Radha replied. that (c) .....that previous day also.
  3. **Shubham** Didn't you see the football match?  
**Vaibhav** No, sorry, I did not. I hate games.  
**Shubham** Why do you think like this?  
**Vaibhav** The players are rough and they misbehave with the referee.  
Last night, the final football match was played between Germany and Holland. The match was very interesting. Shubham asked Vaibhav (a) ..... the football match. Vaibhav regretted that he had not seen the match because he hated games. Shubham enquired (b) ..... like that. Vaibhav replied that the players (c).....with the referee.

4. **Mansi** Do you know who will be presiding over our annual function?  
**Priya** I was told an eminent poet has been invited.  
**Mansi** Are you talking about the Indian poet, Ramdhari Singh 'Dinkar'?  
**Priya** Yes, he has composed a number of patriotic songs. The curiosity about the chief guest was evident among the students on the annual day function. Mansi asked Priya is she knew (a) ..... over their annual day function. Priya replied that (b) ..... an eminent poet had been invited . Mansi enquired (c) ..... about the Indian poet, Ramdhari Singh 'Dinkar'. Priya replied in the affirmative and said that he had composed a number of patriotic songs.
5. **Ankit** Where are you going?  
**Atul** To the airport.  
**Ankit** May I drop you there in my car?  
**Atul** Thanks a lot! It will be a great help to me.  
Ankit asked Atul where (a) ..... Atul replied (b) ..... airport. Ankit further asked him (c) ..... there in his car. Atul thanked him, adding that it would be a great help to him.
- B.**
  1. **Sneha** Do you know that the school trip to Andaman has been postponed?  
**Deepti** No, I didn't know that. Why has the trip been postponed?  
**Sneha** I heard that it is due to bad weather conditions.  
**Sneha** asked Deepti (a) ..... postponed.  
**Deepti** replied that she didn't know that. She asked Sneha (b) ..... Sneha told her that (c) .....
  2. **Tanmay** How did you spend your vacation?  
**Astha** I visited Kashmir with my parents.  
**Tanmay** Have you been there earlier too?  
**Astha** No, it was my first trip?  
**Tanmay** asked Astha (a) ..... vacation.  
**Astha** replied that (b) ..... with her parents.  
**Tanmay** further asked her if she had been there earlier too. Astha replied in (c) .....



3. **Teacher** Why are you late?  
**Sumit** I missed my school bus.  
**Teacher** Why didn't you leave in time?  
**Sumit** Sorry, I will do so from tomorrow.  
 The teacher asked Sumit (a) ..... late.  
 Sumit replied that (b) ..... When the  
 teacher asked him (c) ..... Sumit  
 apologetically replied that he would do so  
 from next day.
4. **Sonu** What makes you weep?  
**Rohan** Someone has stolen my wallet  
**Sonu** Where did you keep it?  
**Rohan** In the back pocket of my trousers.

- Sonu asked Rohan (a) ..... He replied  
 that someone (b) ..... Next, Sonu  
 enquired (c) ..... Rohan said that he had  
 kept it in the back pocket of his trouser.
5. **Servant** Please give me leave for a week.  
**Master** Why do you need such a long leave?  
**Servant** I have to visit my village.  
**Master** Ok, but don't overstay on your leave.  
 The servant requested his master (a)  
 ..... for a week. The master asked him  
 why (b) ..... At this, the servant said (c)  
 ..... The master acceded to his request,  
 but asked him not to overstay on his leave.

## Answers

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- (c) Rupak said that he lived in the City Centre
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  - (b) Nupur asked me if I had seen her cat.
  - (c) The old man requested them to always speak the truth.
  - (d) Roopali exclaimed with sorrow that her brother had died of Covid.
  - (a) She asked me if I could type.
  - (c) She asked what time the train arrived.
  - (c) The policeman asked the boy where he lived.
  - (d) Both (a) and (c)
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- II
- A.
- Rita says that Kishore sang a song.
  - The saint said that man is mortal.
  - You said that you were learning your lesson.
  - He told me that his father had gone to Mumbai the previous week.
  - I asked her if she was leaving that night.
  - He asked her if she could lend him her umbrella.
  - She said that she had seen a tiger there.
  - The principal exclaimed with applause that the boys had done well.
  - She suggested that they should be allowed to play.
  - I requested Harsh to help me.
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- He asked me where he had gone.
  - The Prime Minister declared that National Integrity would be preserved at all costs.
  - She said that her uncle had come the previous day.
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- They said that they trusted in God.
  - The officer warned him that he would be dismissed if he did not attend the office in time.
  - He told me that he was reading a book.
  - He thanked me for reminding him.
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  - I told him that I had gone there on Tuesday.
- III
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  - (c) had called
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  - (a) must go
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- that she had gone to cinema the previous day.
  - that you would do that for him.
  - that he will be writing a test the next day.
  - that she was not hungry then.

5. that they had never been there before.
6. that they had been in London the previous week.
7. that they wouldn't sleep.
8. whether we had been shopping.
9. that it was very quiet there.
10. that she didn't speak Italian.

- V A.**
1. (a) he felt  
(b) he felt slightly  
(c) he had taken
  2. (a) why she was crying  
(b) that Mansi had broken  
(c) she had said
  3. (a) if he had not seen  
(b) why he thought  
(c) were rough and they misbehaved
  4. (a) who would be presiding  
(b) she had been told  
(c) if she was talking
  5. (a) he was going

- (b) that he was going to the
- (c) if he might drop him

- B.**
1. (a) if she knew that school trip to Andaman had been  
(b) why the trip had been postponed.  
(c) she had heard that it was due to bad weather conditions.
  2. (a) how she had spent her  
(b) she had visited Kashmir  
(c) the negative, saying that it had been her first trip
  3. (a) why he was  
(b) he had missed his school bus  
(c) why he had not left in time
  4. (a) what made him weep  
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