



1- REPORTING SPEECH REQUIRES CHANGING SOME OF THE COMPOSITIONS OF THE DIRECT SPEECH SINCE PRONOUNS, POSSESSIVE ADJECTIVES, TENSES, TIME AND PLACE EXPRESSIONS MIGHT CHANGE.

2- DEPENDING ON THE TYPE OF THE SENTENCE WE HAVE, THE INTRODUCTORY ITEM CHANGES:

SENTENCE TYPE	INTRODUCTORY ITEM
STATEMENT	THAT
QUESTION	IF / "WH" WORD
COMMAND	TO / NOT TO

NOTE: WHEN REPORTING QUESTIONS THE SUBJECT-VERB INVERSION IS ELIMINATED.

3- WHEN REPORTING A SENTENCE THESE ARE THE WOMPONENTS THAT ARE SUSCEPTABLE TO CHANGE:

Personal pronouns – demonstratives – possessive adjectives – tenses – time and place expressions

4- WHEN THE REPORTING VERB IS IN THE SIMPLE PAST TENSE, TENSES FROM DIRECT TO REPORTED SPEECH CHANGE ACCORDINGLY:

DIRECT SPEECH TENSE	REPORTED SPEECH TENSE
FUTURE SIMPLE / CONTINUOUS "WILL"	WOULD
PRESENT SIMPLE / CONTINUOUS	PAST SIMPLE / CONTINUOUS
PRESENT PERFECT / CONTINUOUS	PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS
PAST PERFECT / CONTINUOUS	NO CHANGE

5- MODAL VERBS ALSO CHANGE:

DIRECT MODAL	REPORTED MODAL
CAN	COULD
MAY	MIGHT
SHOULD	NEEDED TO
MUST	HAD TO

6- DEMOSTRATIVES^o

DIRECT DEMONSTRATIVE	REPORTED DEMONSTRATIVE
THIS / THESE	THAT / THOSE

7- TIME AND PLACE EXPRESSIONS^o

DIRECT SPEECH	REPORTED
AT THE MOMENT / NOW / RIGHT NOW...	AT THAT MOMENT / THEN
TOMORROW / NEXT WEEK ...	THE NEXT DAY / THE DAY-WEEK AFTER
TODAY	THAT DAY
YESTERDAY / LAST MONTH ...	THE PREVIOUS DAY / THE MONTH BEFORE
HERE	THERE

^o: depending on the situation