**Exercises on report speach**

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Convert the phrases below into reported speech.  
1 "It's raining," she said.    
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2 He said to her, "I love you."    
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3 "I saw María in the supermarket yesterday," said  Carlos.    
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4 "We've lived here for three years," he said.    
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5 "I'll bring a pasta salad," said Francesca.    
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6 "Mark's going to install solar panels," said Miranda.    
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7 "They found gold here," said the geology teacher.    
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8 "Jenny can't speak French," said Pierre.    
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9 "I first met my wife in Seville," he told us.    
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10 "I want your homework handed in by tomorrow," he said.    
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11 "My mother made these cakes," said Juan.    
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12 "I'm feeling tired now," said David.    
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Convert the questions below into reported speech.  
 "Can they play the piano?" she asked.    
1 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Has Sarah ever been to Siena?" he asked.    
2 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Are they French or Canadian?," asked Charlie.   
3 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Where do bears live?" asked George.   
4 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Who wants some more yoghurt ice cream?" asked Mum.   
5 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Are we going out tonight?" asked Bob.   
6 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Can I use your mobile, John?" asked Sarah.   
7 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Have you ever been to Lisbon?" Luis asked Paul.   
8 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "What has Daddy made for dinner?" asked Simon.   
9 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Is the Pope a Catholic," asked JK.   
10 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Who won the match?" asked Monica.   
11 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Have you fed the cat yet, Philip?" asked Letizia.   
12 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "How much does it cost?" asked Carlos.  
13 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 "Do you like fried eggs?" Anne asked David.   
14 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Convert the orders below into reported speech.  
 "Shut up, everybody!" said the teacher.    
1 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Open the window, Robert," said Jane.    
2 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Phone your granny," she told him.    
3 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Don't be late," she warned him.    
4 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Don't talk to strangers, Michael," said his mother.    
5 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Don't listen to a word he says," she told me.    
6 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Clare, help me clean up the kitchen," said Tony.   
7 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Fiona, get out of my way," said Alastair.   
8 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Boys! Stay away from the dog when he's eating," said Dad.   
9 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Minnie, don't scratch the sofa," said Bob.   
10 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Carla, don't pick your nose in class," said the teacher.   
11 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Look after your sister," said my father.   
12 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Break a leg, Oliver," said the actor.   
13 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 "Lionel, eat your meat," said Elsa.   
14 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Fill the gaps using the verbs in the box. Use each verb once only.  
advise hope promise suggest   
beg insist remind threaten deny invite refuse warn   
   
1 "I didn't do it," she said. She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ doing it.   
2 "Have lunch with me," she said.  She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ me to have lunch with her.   
3 "Why don't you buy one?" said Tom. Tom \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I buy one.   
4 "I promise I'll take you to Prague," said Mary.  Mary \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to take me to Prague.   
5 "I hope Andy phones tonight," said Clare. Clare \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Andy would phone that night.   
6 "Please, please don't tell anyone!" he said.  He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ me not to tell anyone.   
7 "I won't do it," he said.  He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to do it.   
8 "You should have lessons," she said.  She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ me to have lessons.   
9 "We really must go with you," they said.  They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on going with me.   
10 "Don't forget to phone Granny," said Mum.  Mum \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ me to phone Granny.   
11 "If you wear my T-shirt again, I'll pinch you very hard," said Maggy.  Maggie \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to pinch me very hard if I wore her T-shirt again.   
12 "Don't fly kites near electric overhead cables," said my father.   
 My father \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ me not to fly kites near electric overhead cables. Fill the gaps using the verbs in the box in the correct form. Use each verb once only.  
add    apologize    explain    promise  
admit    beg    offer    protest  
1    The teacher \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that wine came from grapes.  
2    He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ never to take her cds again without asking first.  
3    He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for being late.  
4    Monica \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to give us a lift to the station.  
5    Mike \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ eating the last chocolate biscuit.  
6    Our scoutmaster \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at the end of his speech that we mustn't forget to bring torches on the camping trip.  
7    Cecilia \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that she couldn't help with the shopping because she had already arranged to meet Caroline.  
8    Cinderella \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to be allowed to go to the ball.