

Direct & Indirect Speech

Tense	Direct Speech	Reported Speech
Present Simple	I like ice cream.	He said that he liked ice cream.
Present Continuous	I am living in Paris.	He said that he was living in Paris.
Past Simple	I bought a car.	He said he bought a car.
Past Continuous	I was walking along the Street.	He said he had been walking along the Street.
Present Perfect	I haven't seen Mary.	He said he hadn't seen Mary.
Past Perfect	I had taken Spanish lessons before.	He said he had taken Spanish lessons before.
Will	I'll see you later.	He said he would see me later.
Would	I would help, but...	He said he would help but...
Can	I can speak perfect Spanish.	He said he could speak perfect Spanish.
Could	I could swim when I was four.	He said he could swim when he was four.
Should	I should call my mother	He said he should call her mother.
Might	I might be late.	He said he might be late.