

Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

1 Circle the correct options.



- He told her *to not touch* / *not to touch* the cake until it cooled down.
- His best friend suggested *to go* / *going* for a walk.
- My brother denied *that he had eaten* / *that he ate* the last biscuit.
- The nurse told me *to take off* / *take off* my shoes at the door.
- My cousin offered *to help* / *that he helped* me with my homework.
- She promised *to meet* / *meeting* him the next Sunday.

2 Complete the reported statements.

- 'I travelled to Mexico to find the best actors for the film.'
The director explained that she *had travelled* to Mexico to find the best actors for the film.
- 'I am going to talk to your teacher about your exam results.'
My mum insisted that she *was going to* talk to my teacher about my exam results.
- 'Let's go to the cinema on your birthday.'
My friends suggested *going* to the cinema on my birthday.
- 'I'll mark your projects over the weekend.'
The teacher said that she *would* mark our projects over the weekend.
- 'Don't go to bed late the night before the match.'
The coach told the team *not to go* to bed late the night before the match.

3 Complete the reported speech sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- I asked Heroes, my favourite singer, why he *had decided* (decide) to become a singer.
- He suggested *listening* (listen) to one of his new songs.
- Then, I asked him what his plans *were* (be) for future concerts.
- To my surprise, he offered *to play* (play) in my town next summer, if I wanted!
- Next I asked him if he *could* (can) sign a T-shirt for me.
- He agreed and he also promised *to write* (write) a song for me on his next album!

4 In your notebook, invent your own interview with your favourite musician or actor. Write about their answers to your questions using reported speech.

Students' own answers

5 Complete the text with the words in the box.

denied explained if insisted when who

I read recently about a shoplifter who was easily caught after he stole from a shop and went home. The police asked the shop assistant ¹ *if* she remembered any of the customers that day. She gave them a piece of paper. The police asked ² *who* had given it to her and she ³ *explained* that it had been one of the customers, asking her to go out with him. The police traced the phone number and went to the thief's house, where they asked him ⁴ *when* he had last visited the shop. He ⁵ *denied* that he had been to the shop that day. The police ⁶ *insisted* that he showed them his kitchen and there they found all the stolen goods.