

Chapter 57: Basic Reported Speech (He said he was happy)

Arre boss! आज हम एक mast grammar topic sikhenge – Reported Speech. Matlab jab koi baat kisi ne boli aur tum तीसरे बंदे ko बताओ. Basically, gossip karna English style में!

Example:

- Direct: Rohan said, “I am happy.”
- Reported: Rohan said he was happy.
Samjhe? बस यहीं game है – tense thoda peeche चला जाता है.

Reported Speech क्या है?

- Direct speech = Baat ko jaisa suna waisa quote करना (“ ” ke saath).
- Reported speech = Baat ko report करना, apne words mein.
- Hindi में: “किसी की बात को indirectly बताना.”

कब Use करते हैं?

(1) Jab tum wo बात kisi aur ko बताना चाहते हो.

(2) Jab formal setting है, quotes repeat नहीं करने.

(3) Jab daily gossip karna हो

- Rule: Reporting tense ek step peeche चला जाता है.
- **Present** → Past (I am → he was)
- **Past** → Past Perfect (I ate → he had eaten)

Example Sentences (20)

Direct → Reported

(1) He said, “I am happy.” → He said he was happy.
= उसने कहा, “मैं खुश हूँ।” → उसने कहा कि वह खुश था।

(2) She said, “I like pizza.” → She said she liked pizza.
= उसने कहा, “मुझे पिज़्ज़ा पसंद है।” → उसने कहा कि उसे पिज़्ज़ा पसंद था।

(3) They said, “We are students.” → They said they were students.
= उन्होंने कहा, “हम छात्र हैं।” → उन्होंने कहा कि वे छात्र थे।

(4) I said, "I will go to Delhi." → I said I would go to Delhi.
= मैंने कहा, "मैं दिल्ली जाऊँगा।" → मैंने कहा कि मैं दिल्ली जाऊँगा।

(5) He said, "I have finished homework." → He said he had finished homework.
= उसने कहा, "मैंने होमवर्क पूरा कर लिया है।" → उसने कहा कि उसने होमवर्क पूरा कर लिया था।

(6) She said, "I can sing." → She said she could sing.
= उसने कहा, "मैं गा सकती हूँ।" → उसने कहा कि वह गा सकती थी।

(7) Rohan said, "I am tired." → Rohan said he was tired.
= रोहन ने कहा, "मैं थका हूँ।" → रोहन ने कहा कि वह थका था।

(8) They said, "We love cricket." → They said they loved cricket.
= उन्होंने कहा, "हमें क्रिकेट पसंद है।" → उन्होंने कहा कि उन्हें क्रिकेट पसंद था।

(9) She said, "I am cooking." → She said she was cooking.
= उसने कहा, "मैं खाना बना रही हूँ।" → उसने कहा कि वह खाना बना रही थी।

(10) He said, "I saw a movie." → He said he had seen a movie.
= उसने कहा, "मैंने एक मूवी देखी।" → उसने कहा कि उसने मूवी देखी थी।

Questions in Reported Speech

(11) He said, "Where are you going?" → He asked where I was going.
= उसने कहा, "तुम कहाँ जा रहे हो?" → उसने पूछा कि मैं कहाँ जा रहा था।

(12) She said, "What is your name?" → She asked what my name was.
= उसने कहा, "तुम्हारा नाम क्या है?" → उसने पूछा कि मेरा नाम क्या था।

(13) He said, "Are you fine?" → He asked if I was fine.
= उसने कहा, "क्या तुम ठीक हो?" → उसने पूछा कि क्या मैं ठीक था।

(14) She said, "Do you like tea?" → She asked if I liked tea.
= उसने कहा, "क्या तुम्हें चाय पसंद है?" → उसने पूछा कि क्या मुझे चाय पसंद थी।

(15) They said, "Can you help us?" → They asked if I could help them.
= उन्होंने कहा, "क्या तुम हमारी मदद कर सकते हो?" → उन्होंने पूछा कि क्या मैं उनकी मदद कर सकता था।

More Positive Examples

(16) He said, "I am learning English." → He said he was learning English.

(17) She said, "I will call you." → She said she would call me.

(18) My mom said, "Dinner is ready." → My mom said dinner was ready.

(19) The teacher said, "You must work hard." → Teacher said I must work hard.

(20) My friend said, "I may visit you." → A friend said he might visit me.

Vocabulary List (with phonetics + meaning)

(1) Said = कहा (sed)

(2) Asked = पूछा (aaskd)

(3) Happy = खुश (ha-pee)

(4) Tired = थका हुआ (tai-ard)

(5) Homework = गृहकार्य (hom-wurk)

(6) Cook = खाना बनाना (kuk)

(7) Movie = फ़िल्म (moo-vee)

(8) Students = विद्यार्थी (stoo-dents)

(9) Cricket = क्रिकेट (cri-ket)

(10) Name = नाम (neim)

(11) Call = कॉल करना (kawl)

(12) Dinner = रात का खाना (din-ner)

(13) Work hard = कड़ी मेहनत करना (wark haard)

(14) Visit = मुलाकात करना (vi-zit)

(15) If = यदि / अगर (if)

Funny Recap (Arre Yaar Style)

Boss, ab shortcut yaad करो

- Direct Speech → Jaisa बोला vaisa ही quote.

- Reported Speech → Baat ko apne शब्दों में repeat, tense change karke.

Masti Example:

- Dost bola: “I love samosas.”
- Tumne dusre ko bola: “He said he loved samosas.”
- Dusra dost bola: “Aur pizza?”
- Tumne bola: “He said nothing about pizza, boss!”

Samajh gaye? Ab tum Direct ko Indirect बनाकर confidently kisi ki baat English mein report कर सकते हो – gossiping bhi classy English mein hogi!