

GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY PRACTICE

STANDARD

UNIT 8

Grammar

1 Match the direct statements to the reported statements.

- ___ 1 'We don't write our blog every day.'
- ___ 2 'We are writing our blog now.'
- ___ 3 'We wrote our blog yesterday.'
- ___ 4 'We'll write our blog tomorrow.'
- ___ 5 'We haven't written our blog today.'
- ___ 6 'We were writing our blog last night.'
- ___ 7 'We're going to write our blog next week.'

Claire said that ...

- a they hadn't written their blog that day.
- b they didn't write their blog every day.
- c they were going to write their blog the week after.
- d they were writing their blog then.
- e they would write their blog the next day.
- f they had been writing their blog the night before.
- g they had written their blog the day before.

2 Rewrite the statements in reported speech.

- 1 'I never tell lies.'

She _____

- 2 'I'm tired.'

He told me _____

- 3 'Jenny has left home.'

He told me _____

- 4 'We weren't watching TV.'

She said _____

- 5 'Sue's playing tennis.'

He told us _____

- 6 'She fell over.'

He told me _____

- 7 'We're going away for the weekend.'

They said _____

- 8 'I haven't seen any films recently.'

She said _____

3 Read the sentences and note the modal verbs. Then rewrite the sentences in reported speech.

- 1 'I can't swim.'

She confessed that she _____

- 2 'We must invite Henry.'

She said they _____

- 3 'We'll go out later.'

They promised they _____

- 4 'William may come round later.'

She said he _____

- 5 'I have to tell Julie.'

He said he _____

4 Complete the reported statements.

- 1 'We don't like this film much.'

Jerry confessed that _____ didn't like _____ film much.

- 2 'I went to school here two years ago.'

Anna said that _____ had gone to school _____ two years _____.

- 3 'We took all our books home with us yesterday.'

Jim and Darren explained that _____ had taken all _____ books home with _____ the day .

- 4 'I'm going away with my friends next week.'

Ben said that _____ was going away with _____ friends the week _____.

5 Rewrite the questions in reported speech.

- 1 'How much money do you have?'

She asked me _____

- 2 'Did Karen lose her wallet?'

He asked me _____

- 3 'Are you playing football tomorrow?'

She asked us _____

- 4 'What were you talking about last night?'

He asked me _____

- 5 'Will you help me?'

She asked him _____

6 Order the words to make sentences.

1 close / asked / her / Denis / window / to / the / not / .

2 going / Rebecca / home / suggested / .

3 Sam / everybody / switch / to / told / not / their / on / mobiles / .

4 suggested / David / a / putting / DVD / on / .

7 Translate the sentences into your own language.

1 Paul said he had called Jo the evening before.

2 Susie promised she would help out that evening.

3 Amy asked if she could leave.

4 Harry told me not to worry.

Vocabulary

1 Circle the correct alternatives.

- 1 The groom sometimes chooses a brother to be his **best man/best friend**.
- 2 I really respect my **fathers/parents** even though I don't always agree with them.
- 3 My **nuclear/extended** family meet every summer for a party. Everyone comes – aunts, uncles, cousins, second cousins – and we have a great time!
- 4 The choice of **partners/teammates** is extremely important in sports like hockey and handball.
- 5 It's traditional for the **groom/bride** to wear a white dress.
- 6 'Is that guy a **relative/family** of yours?' 'Yes, he's my cousin.'
- 7 My older sister's getting married and she's asked me to be a **bridesmaid/bride**.
- 8 We're a standard **nuclear/extended** family – two parents, two kids!

2 Write the words in the box for the descriptions.

colleague pen friend party animal acquaintance relative girlfriend
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- 1 I don't know Adam very well. I've met him once or twice at parties, that's all. But he seems friendly. _____
- 2 Jerry is someone I work with. He's in the same office and he's very helpful. _____
- 3 I've known Amanda for three years now. She's very friendly and sociable, and she really loves parties. _____
- 4 Sheila is my new . I asked her out last weekend. _____
- 5 Jenny is my cousin – she's really sweet. _____
- 6 Paulo lives in Italy. I write to him often and he writes back ... but we've never actually met! _____

3 Complete the questions with words from Ex 2. Then circle the correct answers.

- 1 Who is a casual _____?
a Jerry b Diana c Adam
- 2 Who is a work _____?
a Donna b Amanda c Jerry
- 3 Who is a blood _____?
a Paulo b Jenny c Amanda

4 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

extrovert ally followers introvert leaders enemies
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- 1 Meg always supports me and is always on my side in a fight. She's a good _____ to have.
- 2 Diana is a bit of an _____. She likes her own company.
- 3 Amy is really sociable and fun and loves going out. She's a real _____.
- 4 Cindy and Jeff are _____ of the camp. They decide who does what.
- 5 Rick and Neil really hate each other – they are sworn _____.
- 6 Dan and James are _____. They do what Ben tells them to do.

5 Complete the dialogue with the words in the box.

out (x3) up (x2) for together

Al Did you know Joe is going (1) _____ with Megan?

Sue No, I didn't.

Al Well, he is. He asked her (2) _____ last weekend and she said OK. I think he loves her. He's really fallen (3) _____ her and writes her love poems all the time!

Sue But what about Mel? I thought he got (4) _____ with her two or three months ago.

Al Well, Joe and Mel had a big argument and fell (5) _____ three weeks ago. Joe tried to make (6) _____ with her. He bought her flowers and everything, but she wasn't interested. They decided to split (7) _____. Joe was really upset, but I think he's happy again now!

6 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

apologize recommend insist offer agree

1 I _____ trying the fish, especially if you haven't tried it before. It's delicious.

2 Sally is really nice. She _____ to help us move house.

3 The children _____ not to open their presents until tomorrow.

4 We _____ for arriving so late and explained that it was because we had missed the bus.

5 My mum _____ that she had told me where the key was, but I don't remember this!