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| **Tense** | **Direct Speech** | **Reported Speech** |
| present simple | “I like ice cream” | She said (that) she liked ice cream. |
| present continuous | “I am living in London” | She said (that) she was living in London. |
| past simple | “I bought a car” | She said (that) she had bought a car OR She said (that) she bought a car. |
| past continuous | “I was walking along the street” | She said (that) she had been walking along the street. |
| present perfect | “I haven't seen Julie” | She said (that) she hadn't seen Julie. |
| past perfect\* | “I had taken English lessons before” | She said (that) she had taken English lessons before. |
| will | “I'll see you later” | She said (that) she would see me later. |
| would\* | “I would help, but..” | She said (that) she would help but... |
| can | “I can speak perfect English” | She said (that) she could speak perfect English. |
| could\* | “I could swim when I was four” | She said (that) she could swim when she was four. |
| shall | “I shall come later” | She said (that) she would come later. |
| should\* | “I should call my mother” | She said (that) she should call her mother |
| might\* | "I might be late" | She said (that) she might be late |
| must | "I must study at the weekend" | She said (that) she must study at the weekend OR She said she had to study at the weekend |

Ana : Hello Carol, I have to tell you something about your boyfriend.

Carol: Please tell me right now

Ana: They told me that he was at a party yesterday

Carol: Really, he told me he was at home

Ana: They told me that he was with a woman, and all night

Carol: I can not believe it

Ana: If and then they danced

Carol: And they kissed?

Ana: I do not she told me that after a while they disappeared

Carol: Really , In i can not believe it

Ana: And then she told me that they went away together

Carol: To the house of the?

Ana: I was told, of her

Carol: I found out, if I already knew that I was cheating

Ana: I'm sorry friend but I had to tell you

Carol: Do not worry and many thank you

Ana: that's what Friends Are For

Carol: Thank you very much and talking to him now.

Ana: Very well, my friend, I support you in the decision you make

Carol: Because we probably cut but it will be the best