

Direct and Indirect Speech Exercise

Change the following into indirect speech.

1. The girl said that it her great pleasure to be there that evening.

gives

gave

would give

2. The man that he must go as soon as possible.

said

asked

told

3. She said that she to see any of them and asked them to go away.

did not want

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does not want

had not wanted

4. The teacher says that if you work hard you

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will pass

would pass

5. He said that he

won

has won

had won

6. He proposed that they
wait for her return.

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shall

will

should

7. Alice exclaimed how clever

.....

was she

she was

8. The young man asked which way she

.....

has gone

had gone

would go

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9. He asked me where
going.

I was

was I

I am

10. She requested them to wait there till she
.....

returns

returned

will return

Answers

1. The girl said that it gave her great pleasure to be there that evening.
2. The man said that he must go as soon as possible.

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3. She said that she did not want to see any of them and asked them to go away.
4. The teacher says that if you work hard you will pass.
5. He said that he had won.
6. He proposed that they should wait for her return.
7. Alice exclaimed how clever she was.
8. The young man asked which way she had gone.
9. He asked me where I was going.
10. She requested them to wait there till she returned.