

## Indirect speech exercise

Fill in the blanks with an appropriate word or phrase.

1. Jane said that she was quite sure that she ..... in time.

will return

would return

returned

2. He ..... his friend good bye.

bid

bade

bidden

3. My mother ..... me home.

welcome

welcoming

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welcomed

4. The boy ..... me for my help.

thank

thanked

thanking

5. He expressed his hope that I  
..... well.

am

was

were

6. The accused ..... not guilty.

plead

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pleaded

pleading

7. I advised him ..... his parents.

to obey

that he obey

8. The mother asked her daughter if she knew where the keys .....

was

were

are

9. James asked me if I ..... spare some money for him.

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can

could

had

10. Voila asked Rosalind where she

.....

was going

am going

has going

## Answers

1. Jane said that she was quite sure that she would return in time.
2. He bade his friend good bye.
3. My mother welcomed me home.
4. The boy thanked me for my help.

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5. He expressed his hope that I was well.
6. The accused pleaded not guilty.
7. I advised him to obey his parents. OR I advised that he should obey his parents.
8. The mother asked her daughter if she knew where the keys were.
9. James asked me if I could spare some money for him.
10. Viola asked Rosalind where she was going.