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ENGLISH GRAMMAR

Exercise-105

DIRECT AND INDIRECT SPEECH

STD-7

Turn the following into Indirect Speech:-

1. **“What do you want?” he said to her.**
He asked her what she wanted.
2. **He said, “How's your father?”**
He asked how my father was.
3. **“Are you coming home with me?” he asked.**
He asked me whether I was going home with him.
4. **He enquired, “When do you intend to pay me?”**
He enquired when I intended to pay him.
5. **He said to us, “Why are you all sitting about there doing nothing?”**
He asked us why we all were sitting about there doing nothing.
6. **“Do you really come from China?” said the prince.**
The prince enquired whether we really came from China.
7. **The poor man exclaimed, “Will none of you help me?”**
The poor man exclaimed whether none of us would help him.
8. **“Which way did she go?” asked the young Rakshas.**
The young Rakshas asked which way she had gone.
9. **Aladdin said to the magician, “What have I done to deserve so severe a blow?”**
Aladdin asked the magician what he had done to deserve so severe a blow.
10. **“Don't you know the way home?” asked I.**
I asked him whether he did not know the way home.
11. **“Do you write a good hand?” he said.**
He asked whether I wrote a good hand.
12. **“Have you anything to say on behalf of the prisoner?” said the judge finally.**
The judge finally asked me whether I had anything to say on behalf of the prisoner.
13. **“Which is the proper way to answer this question, father?” the boy enquired.**
The boy enquired of his father about the proper way to answer that question.
14. **“Have you anything to tell me, little bird?” asked Ulysses.**
Ulysses asked the little bird whether it had anything to tell him.
15. **The young sparrow said, “Mother, what is that queer object?”**
The young sparrow asked its mother what that queer object was.
16. **Then aloud he said, “Tell me, boy, is the miller within?”**
He then asked aloud the boy whether the miller was within.
17. **“Who are you, sir, and what do you want?” they cried.**
They asked who he was and what he wanted.

18. **“Dear bird,” she said, stroking its feathers, “have you come to comfort me in my sorrow?”**
Stroking the bird’s feathers she affectionately asked whether it had come to comfort her in her sorrow.
19. **The Rajah was deeply grieved, and said to his wife, “What can I do for you?”**
The Rajah was deeply grieved and asked his wife what he could do for her.
20. **When the sun got low, the king's son said, “Jack, since we have no money, where can we lodge this night?”**
When the sun got low, the king's son asked Jack where they could lodge that night since they had no money.
21. **She said to him, “What is it that makes you so much stronger and braver than any other man?”**
She asked him what made him so much stronger and braver than any other man.
22. **When the Brahmin approached, the first thief said, “Why do you carry a dog on your back ? Are you not ashamed?”**
When the Brahmin approached, the first thief asked why he carried a dog on his back and whether he was not ashamed.

Exercise-106

Put the following in Indirect Speech:-

1. **“Bring me a drink of milk,” said the swami to the villagers.**
The swami asked the villagers to bring him a drink of milk.
2. **“Sit down, boys,” said the teacher.**
The teacher ordered the boys to sit down.
3. **“Halt!” shouted the officer to his men.**
The officer shouted to his men to halt.
4. **“Take off your hat,” the king said to the Hatter.**
The king asked the Hatter to take off his hat.
5. **The teacher said to him, “Do not read so fast.”**
The teacher ordered him not to read so fast.
6. **He said to me, “Wait until I come.”**
He asked me to wait until he came.
7. **“Hurry up,” he said to his servant, “do not waste time.”**
He ordered his servant to hurry up and not to waste time.
8. **“Run away, children,” said their mother.**
Their mother asked the children to run away.
9. **He said, “Daughter, take my golden jug, and fetch me some water from the well.”**
He asked his daughter to take his golden jug and fetch him some water from the well.
10. **“Go down to the bazaar. Bring me some oil and a lump of ice.” ordered his master.**
His master ordered him to go down to the bazaar and bring him some oil and a lump of ice.

Exercise-107

Put the following in Indirect Speech:-

1. **“What a rare article milk is, to be sure, in London !” said Mr. Squeers with a sigh.**
Mr. Squeers exclaimed with a sigh that milk was ,to be sure, a rare article in London.
2. **“What a stupid fellow you are!” he angrily remarked.**
He angrily remarked that I was a very stupid fellow.
3. **He said, “My God! I am ruined.”**
He exclaimed sadly that he was ruined.
4. **He said, “Alas! our foes are too strong.”**
He exclaimed sadly that their foes were too strong.
5. **He said, “What a lazy boy you are! How badly you have done your work!”**
He remarked disgustingly that I was a lazy boy and I had done my work very badly.
6. **“How smart you are!” she said.**
She praised me for being very smart.
7. **He said. “Oh ! that's a nuisance.”**
He exclaimed that it was a nuisance.
8. **He said, “How cruel of him!”**
He exclaimed that it was very cruel of him.
9. **He said, “What a pity you did not come!”**
He exclaimed that it was a great pity that I had not come.
10. **“Ah me!” exclaimed the Queen. “What a rash and bloody deed you have done!”**
The Queen exclaimed sadly that I had done a very rash and bloody deed.