

Direct and indirect

Declarative, interrogative and imperative sentences:

Say → Say

say (s) to → tell (s)

Ex: He said, " I will go"

Now → then

Tomorrow → the next day

Yesterday → the day before

this → that

these → those

today → that day

1. Declarative sentences

She always says, " I feel hungry".

She always says **that she** feels hungry.

She said **that she** felt hungry.

She said to me, " I'll visit you tomorrow".

She told me **that she would** visit **me the next day**.

2. Interrogative sentences

Why, what, where -----still the same.

Did he, does she, do they ----if, whether

She said to me, "Where did you go yesterday?".

She **asked** me where **I had gone the day before**.

The teacher said to us, " Do you feel better now".

The teacher asked

I said to her, " Do you feel better now?".

I asked her if she felt better then.

3. Imperative sentences

Say -----command

-----order

----- ask/tell

----- request

----- beg

The officer said to his soldiers," Fire".

The officer **commanded** his soldiers **to** fire.

The manager said to his men, "Work hard".

The manager **ordered** his men **to** work hard.

I said to him, " Read this letter for me".

I asked/told him **to** read **that** letter for me.

The dust man said to his boss, "Help me".

The dust man **requested** his boss **to** help him.

The poor man said to them, "Help me".

The poor man **begged** them **to** help him.