

REPORTED SPEECH

STATEMENTS — MIXED TENSES

[Exercise 2]

Finish the sentences using Reported speech. Pay special attention to changing pronouns and time phrases where necessary.

Example:

Ella, "Children are reading a book now."

Ella said (*that*) _____ .

Answer:

Ella said (*that*) **children were reading a book then.**

1. Rachel, "I can't help you."

Rachel told me (*that*) _____ .

2. John, "She may be at home."

John said (*that*) _____ .

3. Kelly, "My friend lives in Brazil."

Kelly told me (*that*) _____ .

4. Teacher, "We will discuss it tomorrow."

The teacher said (*that*) _____ .

5. Bill, "I have already read it."

Bill said (*that*) _____
_____ .

6. Andrew, "I must be at home in time."

Andrew told me (*that*) _____
_____ .

7. Kate, "I don't usually sleep in the afternoon."

Kate said (*that*) _____
_____ .

8. Walter, "My family is going to fly to Australia next month."

Walter told me (*that*) _____
_____ .

9. Chris, "They haven't come yet."

Chris said (*that*) _____
_____ .

10. Sam, "My computer isn't working."

Sam told me (*that*) _____
_____ .

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1. she couldn't help me.
2. she might be at home.
3. her friend lived in Brazil.
4. they would discuss it the next day.
5. he had already read it.
6. he had to be at home in time.
7. she didn't usually sleep in the afternoon.
8. his family was going to fly to Australia the following month.
9. they hadn't come yet.
10. his computer wasn't working.