








She said that . . . He told me that . . .

A

Last week you went to a party. A lot of your friends were there. Here are some things they said to you:

Today you meet Paul. You tell him about the party. You tell Paul what your friends said:

	Present	Past	
 Diane I'm enjoying my new job. My father isn't very happy.	am is	} → was	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Diane said that she was enjoying her new job. ■ She said that her father wasn't very happy.
 Sarah Tim We're going to buy a house.	are	→ were	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sarah and Tim said that they were going to buy a house.
 Peter I have to leave early. My sister has gone to Australia.	have has	} → had	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Peter said that he had to leave early. ■ He said that his sister had gone to Australia.
 Kate I can't find a job.	can	→ could	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Kate said that she couldn't find a job.
 Steve I'll call you.	will	→ would	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Steve said that he would call me.
 Rachel I don't like my job. My son doesn't like school.	do does	} → did	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Rachel said that she didn't like her job. ■ She said that her son didn't like school.
 Mike You look tired. I feel fine.	look feel etc.	} → looked felt etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mike said that I looked tired. ■ I said that I felt fine.

B

say and tell

say (→ said)

- He **said** that he was tired.
(not He said me)
- What did she **say to** you?
(not say you)

We say **he said to me, I said to Ann**, etc.
but not "he said me," "I said Ann."

tell (→ told)

- He **told me** that he was tired.
(not He told that)
- What did she **tell you**?
(not tell to you)

We say **he told me, I told Ann**, etc.
but not "he told to me," "I told to Ann."

C

You can say:

- He said **that** he was tired. or He said he was tired. (*without that*)
- Kate told me **that** she couldn't find a job. or Kate told me she couldn't find a job.

51.1 Read what these people say and write sentences with *He/She/They said (that) . . .*

1.  I've lost my watch.


He said he had lost his watch.


2.  I'm very busy.


6.  I don't feel very well.


7.  We'll be home late.

3.  I can't go to the party.

8.  I've just gotten back from vacation.

4.  I have to go out.

9.  I'm going to buy a new computer.

5.  I'm learning Russian.

10.  We don't have a key.

51.2 Use the pictures to complete the sentences.

1.  I'm enjoying my new job. Diane	2.  I'm not hungry. Emily	3.  I need it. Mike
4.  I don't want to go. Hannah	5.  You can have it. Sharon	6.  I'll send you a postcard. Mark
7.  Where's Robert? He's gone home. Linda	8.  I want to watch TV. David	9.  I'm going to the movies. Mary

- I met Diane last week. She said *she was enjoying her new job*.
- Emily didn't want anything to eat. She said _____.
- I wanted to borrow Mike's ladder, but he said _____.
- Hannah was invited to the party, but she said _____.
- Sharon told me she didn't want the picture. She said _____.
- Mark just left on vacation. He said _____.
- I was looking for Robert. Linda said _____.
- "Why did David stay at home?" "He said _____."
- "Has Mary gone out?" "I think so. She said _____."

51.3 Write *say/said* or *tell/told*.

- He said he was tired.
- What did she tell you?
- Anna _____ she didn't like Peter.
- Jack _____ me that you were sick.
- Please don't _____ Dan what happened.
- Did Lucy _____ she would be late?
- The woman _____ she was a reporter.
- The woman _____ us she was a reporter.
- They asked me a lot of questions, but I didn't _____ them anything.
- They asked me a lot of questions, but I didn't _____ anything.