

## The Reported Speech

Reporting verb is in *present simple, present perfect or future simple*

### Direct Speech

George: "*I don't have a car.*"

### Indirect Speech

George says (that) he **doesn't have** a car.  
George has said (that) he **doesn't have** a car.  
George will say (that) he **doesn't have** a car.



Reporting verb is in *past simple or past perfect*

### Direct Speech to Indirect Speech (Reported Speech) *example sentences*

Present Simple		Past Simple
Past Simple		
Present Perfect		Past Perfect
Past Perfect		
Present Perfect Continuous		
Past Continuous		Past Perfect Continuous
Past Perfect Continuous		
Be going to		Was/were going to
Future simple		Would

We change/don't change the tense in reported speech when reporting verb is in present simple!