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## DIRECT AND INDIRECT SPEECH

in this last chapter, we shall talk about how to say the same thing in different ways. Here we shall see how we can report others' statement without any change in meaning.

**Look at the following:**

Rajesh said, "I am glad to be here."

Rajesh said that he was glad to be there.

The first sentence puts down the statement made by Rajesh'. The second sentence is also the same but it is reported by somebody else.

**When we put somebody's expression in inverted commas, it is called Direct Speech.**

**When somebody's expression is put in our own words it is called Indirect Speech. As it is reported by others, it is also called Reported Speech.**

## Exercise

Change the speech of the following: One has been done for you.

1. She says to her mother, "I have been writing since morning."  
She tells her mother that she has been writing since morning.
2. The doctor says to the patient, "You are not exercising regularly."
3. Mayank says to Gautam, "You are very intelligent."
4. Shalini says to her mother, "I have brought your medicines"
5. You say to your brother, " I shall go to the exhibition next Sunday."
6. Sumi says to Rajat, "You have broken everything."
7. The teacher says to Mohnish, "You will pass."
8. Kareena says to Renu, " They will arrive soon."