

ask/tell + object + infinitive**1 Choose the correct word.**

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| <p>1 'Please don't shout.'
She <i>asked / told</i> him not to shout.</p> <p>2 'Can you show me the way?'
He <i>asked / told</i> her to show him the way.</p> <p>3 'Turn right at the next corner.'
She <i>asked / told</i> him to turn right at the next corner.</p> <p>4 'Don't worry!'
She <i>asked / told</i> him not to worry.</p> | <p>5 'What's your name?'
She <i>asked / told</i> him what his name was.</p> <p>6 'Stop!'
She <i>asked / told</i> him to stop.</p> <p>7 'What are you doing?'
She <i>asked / told</i> me what I was doing.</p> |
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Remember

- We use *tell / told* when the sentence is a command or instruction.
- We use *ask / asked* when the sentence is a request.

2 Choose the correct sentence a or b that reports what was said.

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| <p>1 'Don't do that!'
a She asked him not to do something.
b She told him not to do something.</p> <p>2 'Could you help me later?'
a She asked me if I could help her later.
b She told me to help her later.</p> <p>3 'Put that down right now!'
a She asked him to put it down immediately.
b She told him to put it down immediately.</p> | <p>4 'Where do you live?'
a She asked him where he lived.
b She told him where he lived.</p> <p>5 'Please lock the door when you leave.'
a They asked us to lock the door when we left.
b They told us to lock the door when we left.</p> <p>6 'Go away!'
a They asked us to go away.
b They told us to go away.</p> |
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3 Write reporting sentences using the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

SUE Mark, please close the window. (ask)

Sue *asked Mark to close the window.*

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| <p>1 JANE Shut up! Paul. (tell)
Jane</p> <p>2 TEACHER Julie, can you tell me the answer please? (ask)
The teacher</p> <p>3 PETRA I love you, Jack! (tell)
Petra</p> | <p>4 JILL Don't be silly, Andrew! (tell)
Jill</p> <p>5 PHIL How can we get there, John? (ask)
Phil</p> <p>6 DAVID Can you help me, Susan? (ask)
David</p> |
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