

Reported speech

Exercise 3. Change the reported speech into direct speech. _____

He said that he had never seen me.

".....," he said.

We told them that we were working on it.

"..... on it," we told them.

She said she lived in York.

"..... in York," she said.

Paul claimed that he had been exercising for several years.

"..... for several years," claimed Paul.

He said that at one o'clock he had been having lunch.

"At one o'clock lunch," he said.

They replied that they had started on time.

"..... on time," they replied.

Phil said he wanted to be a lawyer.

"..... a lawyer," said Phil.

Mary told us she wouldn't be in her office.

"..... office," told us Mary.

He claimed that he had always been my friend.

"..... friend," he claimed.

Betty told me that she hadn't known about the email I had sent to her.

"..... about the email," told me Betty.

Key with answers:

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