

Indirect to direct speech

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Exercise 5

Change these sentences from the indirect to direct speech.

Example: Liz said she didn't speak Greek. - I don't speak Greek.

He admitted that he had never met us.

I

They told us they would start the following day.

We tomorrow.

We called them that we were walking in the park.

We in the park.

She said she worked for Ford.

I for Ford.

I replied that I had been trying to mend it since the morning.

I to mend it since the morning.

He said that at one o'clock he had been doing nothing.

At one o'clock I nothing.

They explained that they had closed down the previous year.

We down last year.

Neil said he wished he could be independent.

I wish I independent.

She told us we had better accept it.

You it.

He claimed that someone had screamed in the garden.

Someone in the garden.

Moira admitted that she would rather stay at home.

I at home.

See the Answer Key on the next page.

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Key with answers

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I have never met you.

We will start tomorrow.

We are walking in the park.

I work for Ford.

I have been trying to mend it since the morning.

At one o'clock I was doing nothing.

We closed down last year.

I wish I could be independent.

You had better accept it.

Someone screamed in the garden.

I would rather stay at home.