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SPaG - Direct and Indirect Speech

Direct speech describes when something is being repeated exactly as it was - usually in between a pair of inverted commas.

Indirect (reported) speech will still share the same information - but instead of expressing someone's comments or speech by directly repeating them, it involves reporting or describing what was said.

1. Write the sentences from the paragraph into the correct section of the table.

Alfie's mum told him that he could invite a friend over. He rang Oscar and asked him if he wanted to play in the garden.

"Definitely! I'll be there in 10 minutes," replied Oscar.

Alfie said, "Great! Don't forget to bring your new football."

Direct Speech	Indirect Speech

2. Put crosses to show where inverted commas are missing in the paragraph below.

Isabelle asked Mr Jones to help her during their Maths lesson. He smiled at her
and said, Of course. What do you need help with?
I don't understand how to solve the word problem, she responded. Mr Jones
suggested that she get some counters and a place value grid.

3. Which sentence in the paragraph below is the odd one out?

Marvin ordered his assistant, Jeff, to get a new chair for his office. "It's so uncomfortable!" he complained. Jeff showed him the furniture catalogue and asked him to choose the one that he wanted.

Explain your reasoning.