

Reported speech

Reported speech for presenting feedback and personal points of view from a video analysis.

Reported speech tells what someone says in another person's words. The verb shifts to express a past time.

Present perfect changes to Past perfect

Direct speech:

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said + (that) + clause

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Simple present changes to Simple past

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