| REPORTED SPEECH | | |
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| TENSE | SHE SAYS: | SHE SAID (THAT): |
| PRESENT SIMPLE | "It is Monday" "I don't like Mondays" "He always goes out on Mondays" | It was Monday <i>She</i> didn't like Mondays He always went out on Mondays |
| PRESENT CONTINUOUS | "I am feeling fine today " "My friends are going out tonight" | She was feeling fine that day Her friends were going out that night |
| PRESENT PERFECT | "He has never been to Turkey" "You haven't finished eating yet" | He had never been to Turkey I hadn't finished eating yet (/ then) |
| PRESENT PERFECT CONT. | "I have been living here for ages" | She had been living there for ages |
| PAST | "He began his job <i>last year</i> " "I gave it to you (woman) yesterday " | He had begun his job <i>the year before</i> She had given it to her the day before |
| PAST PERFECT | "The woman lost her job after she had had an accident" | The woman had lost her job after she had had an accident |
| FUTURE | "I am going to cook tomorrow" "Our friends will cook next week" | She was going to cook the following day *) She would cook the following day Our friends would cook the week after that |
| CONDITIONAL | "I'll cook this week if you like" "I could cook a wonderful meal if I had more potatoes" "They wouldn't cry if it didn't hurt" "I would have said something if I had known anything" | She would cook that week if I liked She could cook a wonderful meal if she had more potatoes They wouldn't cry if it didn't hurt She would have said something if she had known anything |
| | | *) "was going to" often means "had the intention to" e.g. I was going to ring you, but then I forgot. We were going to go on holiday, but then run out of money. |