Grammar: Reported Speech

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Past simple			\rightarrow	Past perfect				
"Jack	broke his leg vest	erda <u>y</u> ",		He said that Jack had broken his leg <u>the day</u>				
				before.				
Prese	ent perfect		\rightarrow	Past perfect				
"I hav	<i>ien't seen</i> the film	i yet".		He said that he hadn't seen the film yet.				
Past	continuous		\rightarrow	Past perfect continuous				
"She	was trying to be h	numorous".		He told me that she had been trying to be				
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Futu	re: "Will"		\rightarrow	'Would'				
"I wil	l win <u>this</u> game", I	He told me.		He told me that he would win <u>that</u> game.				
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"I <i>am</i>	going to visit <u>my</u>	grandmother"		She said that she was going to visit <u>her</u>				
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	I	→	he / she	You	\rightarrow	I/We/he/she		
Pronouns Changes		my	\rightarrow	his /her	You	\rightarrow	My/his/her/our/their	
	-	we	\rightarrow	they	Mine	e →	His/h	er
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Place	this	>	that			today	\rightarrow	that day
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Warnin	g	"Don't tell anyone this	She warned me not to tell anyone that				
		secret!", She warned me.	secret.				
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		am sorry!". He said. →	attend the wedding. (present or future)				
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		wedding. I am sorry !". He	wedding. (in the past)				
		said.	wedding. (in the past)				
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	to "W	know.					
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Modals Questio	wo "W asl "Ca	' hen are you leaving? ", she					