

### Reported speech:

“There is a problem with the project.” John  
 “Send me the report.” Mary  
 “Turn off the TV.” Bob  
 “Are you satisfied with the project?” Brad  
 “What did the client want?” Adam

Someone (said/reported/mentioned) something.

*John (said) there was a problem with the project.  
 Mary (said) to send her the report.*

Someone (told me) something.

*John (told me) there was a problem with the project.  
 Mary (told me) to send her the report.*

Someone (said/told me) **to do** something.

*Bob (said/told me) **to turn off** the TV.*

Someone asked (me) something. \*use the “indirect q/statement” rule

*Brad asked (me) if I was satisfied with the project.  
 Adam asked (me) what the client (had) wanted.*

According to (someone/something), Statement

*According to John, there was a problem with the project.*

### Practice: Report the following statements made by “John”

I am tired from the business trip.  
 I enjoy going on a business trip.  
 I will go to California for a business trip.  
 What did you do on the weekend?  
 Turn in the report by Friday.  
 The meeting has to be postponed.  
 Are you happy with the result?  
 I need the project finished by next month.  
 Could you lower the price?

### Discussion:

What is something your boss always say to you?  
 Do you remember any good tips your parents told you?  
 Describe a time when someone told you some good news.  
 What is trending in the news these days?  
 Talk about something someone said today.