

Reported Speech

Grammar worksheet · 18 sentences · B1



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Write the right form in each gap.

1. I sold my old car. He said that he _____ his old car. (*had sold / had being sold*)
2. I will finish the book tonight. She said that she _____ the book that night. (*will finish / would finish*)
3. I am worried. She said that she _____ worried at the time. (*was / am*)
4. I have labeled the jars. She said that she _____ the jars by then. (*have labeled / had labeled*)
5. They are going on vacation. She told me that they _____ going on vacation at the time. (*are / were*)
6. I collect old coins. She told me that she _____ old coins at the time. (*collect / collected*)
7. It's raining outside. They said that _____ raining outside at the time. (*it was / it is*)
8. I am watering the garden. She said that she _____ the garden at the time. (*was watering / am watering*)
9. I am able to play the guitar. She said that she _____ play the guitar at the time. (*is able to / was able to*)
10. I sell honey at the market. He said that he _____ honey at the market at the time. (*sold / sells*)
11. I am late for the meeting. He said that he _____ late for the meeting at the time. (*am / was*)
12. I love chocolate. He told me that he _____ chocolate at the time. (*loves / loved*)
13. She believes in ghosts. He said that she _____ in ghosts at the time. (*believes / believed*)
14. I must send the report. He said that he _____ send the report that day. (*must / had to*)
15. I have fixed the shelves. He said that he _____ the shelves by then. (*had fixed / have fixed*)
16. I must test the engine. He said that he _____ test the engine that Monday. (*must / had to*)
17. I run every day. He said that he _____ every day at the time. (*ran / runs*)
18. He said, "I have seen that movie before." => He said that he _____ seen that movie by then. (*have / had*)

Answers

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| 1. had sold | 10. sold |
| 2. would finish | 11. was |
| 3. was | 12. loved |
| 4. had labeled | 13. believed |
| 5. were | 14. had to |
| 6. collected | 15. had fixed |
| 7. it was | 16. had to |
| 8. was watering | 17. ran |
| 9. was able to | 18. had |