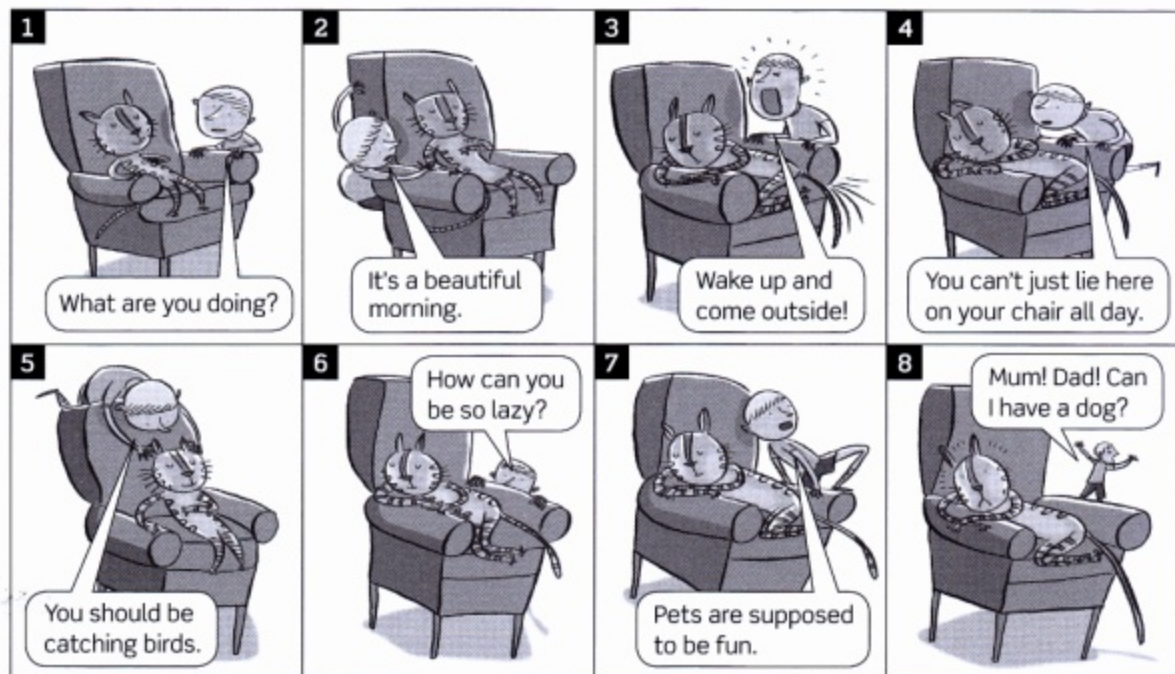


9A GRAMMAR reported speech

a Read the cartoon. Complete the paragraph below.



Tim asked me ¹ what I was doing.

He said it ² _____
and told ³ _____.

He said ⁴ _____.

He told me ⁵ _____
and asked ⁶ _____.

Then he said that pets ⁷ _____
and asked his parents ⁸ _____!

b Write the things Tim's parents said in reported speech.

1 'Do you really want a dog?' They asked him if he really wanted a dog.

2 'You'll have to take it for walks.' They said _____.

3 'Where's it going to sleep?' They asked _____.

4 'We'll have to take it on holiday with us next month.' They said _____.

5 'Do you think the cat will like it?' They asked him _____.

6 'Let us think about it.' They told him _____.

activation

c Think of a short conversation you've had with a friend or a member of your family. Write it in reported speech. Compare with a partner.

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A)

2 was a beautiful morning

3 me to wake up and come outside

4 (that) I couldn't just lie there on my chair all day

5 (that) I should be catching birds

6 how I could be so lazy

7 were supposed to be fun

8 if / whether he could have a dog

B)

2 (that) he'd have to take it for walks

3 (him) where it was going to sleep

4 (that) they'd have to take it on holiday with them the following month

5 if / whether he thought the cat would like it

6 to let them think about it