## Grammar: reported speech



### **Student A**

# Record company Executive Assistant

You are an assistant for a record company executive at AGM Records. AWOL is your most important band but its lead singer, Vinnie, recently disappeared moments before the start of the first concert of their world tour.

The company has no idea where he is. The tour has been cancelled and your boss is absolutely furious and really anxious to know the situation, especially when the band can resume the tour.

Your boss has sent you to have a meeting with the band manager. You've made notes on the things your boss has said and wants to find out. You are going to report these to the band manager and find out some answers.

Try and sort out the situation so both sides are happy.

#### Your boss said:

'The cancelled tour will cost \$25m and might bankrupt the company.'

'The tour absolutely must go ahead.'

'When is AWOL going to resume the tour?'

'Is it possible for the guitarist to sing instead? He told me yesterday he would.'

'We'll sue the band and terminate its contract at the end of the year, if they don't tour.'

'Can I see Vinnie in person or can he phone me immediately?'

'Why didn't he didn't speak to the manager or the band if he had a problem about something?'

'What's Vinnie's mental state? Is he going to kill himself?'

# **Student B**AWOL's Manager

You are the manager of a famous band called AWOL. The lead singer, Vinnie, recently disappeared moments before the start of the first concert of their world tour. The tour has been cancelled and the record company are absolutely furious. The band is also upset about Vinnie's behaviour and you are worried about his mental state. You also know that if the band split up you lose your job.

You spoke to Vinnie yesterday, made some notes on what he said. You now have a meeting with the assistant of the record company boss to report what Vinnie said.

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## Vinnie said:

'I don't want to leave the band – I love the guys.'

'I don't want to do the tour now – maybe in the summer.'

'I split up with my girlfriend of two years just before the concert. I couldn't face doing the show.'

'I told the band I wasn't doing the show.'

'I'm addicted to the prescription drugs I was taking for my stage fright and need some time in rehab.'

'I want to be left alone and not see anyone until next week.'

'I'm not suicidal.' (but he does seem very depressed)

'Can I get \$10,000? I've spent all my money.'

'Can we remix the album? It could be so much better.'