Reporting what someone said

Use
Reported speech is used to tell other people what someone has said or to pass on a message.
You often use *tell* or *say* to introduce reported statements.

Form
When using reported speech put the verbs one step back into the past and change the pronouns.

Direct Speech	Reported Speech
I'm from Korea	Nayeon said she was from Korea
We're going to the cinema	They said they were going to the cinema
I can go to the shop for you	David told me that he could go to the shop for me
My sister is going to Los Angeles	Lucy said that her sister is going to Los Angeles
Sentences in the past stay in the past simple	
I *slept* all night	He said he *slept* all night
The 'that' can be used in reported statements in written English, but not in spoken English	
Reported speech (Written)	*Reported Speech (Spoken)*
They told the police *that* the driver was a man	They told the police that the driver was a man

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