

## Reported speech

### 1 Choose the correct word or phrase.

- 1 My grandma claims **to be** / **being** as fit as a fiddle!
- 2 You promised not **to blow** / **blowing** your own trumpet if you won.
- 3 My sister warned me **not to** / **don't** play my drums too loud.
- 4 Mary suggested **us to** / **that we** drum up support for her local charity.
- 5 Jim **said** / **told me** to buy three tickets for the concert.

### 2 Read the dialogue in the box and then complete the sentences using reported speech. Add any words you need to make each sentence correct.

'Do you know how to play the guitar?' asked Paul.  
'Yes, I do,' I said.  
'How did you learn to play?' he asked.  
'My uncle taught me last summer.'  
'Could you give me a demonstration?'

- 1 Paul asked me \_\_\_\_\_ how to play the guitar.
- 2 I told him \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 He asked me how \_\_\_\_\_ to play.
- 4 I explained that \_\_\_\_\_ me the previous summer.
- 5 He asked me \_\_\_\_\_ a demonstration.

## Indirect questions

### 3 Complete each indirect question with a question mark (?) or a full stop (.)

- 1 Can you tell me what the name of the lead singer is \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 I'd like to know whether you could take on a small project \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 I was wondering if your birthday is coming up soon \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Could you tell me if Barcelona have been knocked out of the cup \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 I'd be grateful if you could tell me if Kate is going in for the singing competition \_\_\_\_\_

### 4 Write indirect questions using the words given.

- 1 concert / you / is / me / Could / the / where / tell  
\_\_\_\_\_?
- 2 good / wonder / if / be / I / will / the / concert  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 much / like / costs / this / how / I'd / to / violin / know  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 explain / songs / your / how / Can / write / you / you  
\_\_\_\_\_?
- 5 you / need / interested / in / be / if / I'd / guitarist / a / hearing  
\_\_\_\_\_.

## Unit round-up

### 5 Choose the correct words to complete the dialogue.

**Interviewer:** Hi Bobby Z. Can you tell our radio audience where  
(1) **we are** / **are we**?

**Bobby Z:** Yes, we're in Central Park, New York. The weather forecast said it (2) **was** / **would** be beautiful and it is!

**Interviewer:** Yes, it's lovely. We'd love to (3) **tell** / **know** when you're performing next.

**Bobby Z:** I'll be here in December.

**Interviewer:** Fantastic! I've got a question from a fan. Mary wants to know (4) **if** / **where** you will be playing any new songs.

**Bobby Z:** Yes. In fact, I have a new song out next week.

**Interviewer:** Can you tell us what (5) **it is** / **is it called**?

**Bobby Z:** The title is *Summer Love*. Can you guess what it's about?

**Interviewer:** Yes, I think I can. Well, listeners, Bobby wants us to guess what the group's new song is about. Any ideas? Phone up and tell us!