

Lesson 41: He said he was wiped out

レッスン 41: 彼はとっても疲れたと言いました

Target: Talking about what people said using "reported speech"
 目的: 間接話法を使って、色々な人の言ったことを話してみましょう!

Reading 単語



New vocabulary introduced in the reading

• since	～して以来	• a liar	うそつき
• kind of	ちょっと	• sincerely	心から
• have a crush on...	(人)に熱をあげる	• tell the truth	真実を語る
• date...	(人)とデートする	• a crowned prince	王子
• lock (person) (place)	～に錠を掛ける	• pull one's leg	からかう
• convince (person) to...	(人)に～することを納得させる	• in fact	実際に
• ask (person) out	(人)をデートに誘う	• has to (verb)	のはずだ
• blame (person) for...	非難する	• obviously	明らかに
• I'm of the opinion that...	私の意見は	• photoshop...	加工する

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Read the passage and circle the new words as you find them

It's hard being a teenager.

For example, on Monday, Jessica said that she was going to attend Blake's party on the weekend, and since all her friends know that she kind of has a little crush on Blake they started telling everyone that her and Blake were dating. She was not pleased. She locked herself in her room and it took me ages to convince her to come out.

Also yesterday, Mary said James had said he was going to ask Stacy out, but he never ended up doing it. So now Stacy is angry at Mary because she blames her for James not asking her out. I'll go talk to James tomorrow and see what happened. Maybe he just forgot or something, I don't know.

Also, I'm of the opinion that most of the people in my class are liars. For example, Taro said that when he was 1 year old, he could speak Japanese. I really doubt that. My parents said I only really started talking around 3 years. I sincerely doubt that Taro learned how to speak that early.

Also, Megumi mentioned that she met Brad Pitt once, and they had dinner together but she wasn't able to take a picture because she had left her camera at home. Haha. Yeah right. There is not way she was telling the truth.

What else? Oh yeah, last week Sam told me that he had been to Dubai. He said that the crowned prince had invited him there for a party. I'm pretty sure he was pulling my leg on this because I talked to his sister and she told me that he had never been to Dubai and in fact had never left the country.

But I think the biggest liar has to be my teacher, Mr. White. It's like he can't stop lying. Once, while we were in class he said that he would take us on a class trip to Disney Land, but he never did. Another time, he said he could speak French, but when a French exchange student came to our class he didn't understand a word she said. Another time, he said that he had met the president, but when he showed us the picture it had very obviously been photoshopped.

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Answer the questions below

1. What did Jessica say?
2. What did her friends start telling everyone?
3. What did Mary say James had said?
4. What did Taro say?
5. What did Megumi mention?
6. What did Sam say?
7. What three lies did the teacher tell?
8. How many examples of reported speech can you find?

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