

TOPIC: **REPORTED SPEECH IN ENGLISH: Mixed tenses 3**

Choose the best (most grammatically correct) response to complete each sentence.
REMEMBER - All of these examples have the reporting verb (said, told, etc.) in the PAST:

1. **"My grandfather is going to cook dinner for us."**

She told me that her grandfather _____ dinner for us.

- a) would cook b) was cooking c) cooks

2. **"I loved him very much."**

My sister told me that she _____ him very much.

- a) was loving b) loved c) would love

3. **"Marta is learning Vietnamese."**

He told me that Marta _____ Vietnamese.

- a) will learn b) is learning c) was learning

4. **"I've been to Greece."**

My friend told me that he _____ to Greece.

- a) been b) had been c) was

5. **"I'll talk to the general about this."**

The colonel said that he _____ to the general about this.

- a) would talk b) will talk c) talked

6. **"Tell me your name."**

She asked me _____ her my name.

- a) tell b) to tell c) told

7. **"I run a successful design studio."**

Victor told the man that he _____ a successful design studio.

- a) running b) was running c) ran

8. **"I am a good dancer."**

She told me that she _____ a good dancer.

- a) is b) was c) will be

9. **"I have been to that bar."**

He told me that he _____ to that bar.

- a) had been b) will have been c) is being

10. **"I am writing an email to my girlfriend."**

He told me that he _____ an email to his girlfriend.

- a) is writing b) was writing c) writes

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ANSWERS:

1) a 2) b 3) c 4) b 5) a 6) b 7) c 8) b 9) a 10) b