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\_\_\_\_ John said he liked my new hobby. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Sara: "I wanted to go to the cinema yesterday." (tell, me)  
\_\_\_\_ Sara told me she had wanted to go to the cinema the day before. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Marco: "I hope we will go on holiday next year." (mention)  
\_\_\_\_ Marco mentioned he hoped they would go on holiday the following year. \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Mr. Smith: "The boys are playing in the garden now." (tell, wife)  
\_\_\_\_ Mr. Smith told his wife the boys were playing in the garden then. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Sue: "My friends haven't seen this movie yet." (say)  
\_\_\_\_ Sue said her friends hadn't seen that movie yet. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Cathy: "We were staying in a nice hotel last week." (add)  
\_\_\_\_ Cathy added they had been staying in a hotel the week before. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Ms. Hunter: "My husband is going to buy a car next month." (tell, friends)  
\_\_\_\_ Ms. Hunter told her friends her husband was going to buy a car the following month. \_\_\_\_\_  
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8. Lara: "I wouldn't do this job." (tell, boyfriend)  
\_\_\_\_ Lara told her boyfriend she wouldn't do that job. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Jim: "I don't like my new shirt here because it is too big." (explain)  
\_\_\_\_ Jim explained that he didn't like his new shirt there because it was too big. \_\_\_\_\_
10. He: "This isn't a problem for you." (tell, brother)  
\_\_\_\_ He told his brother that wasn't a problem for him. \_\_\_\_\_
11. Mona: "We will do our final exam next year." (say)  
\_\_\_\_ Mona said they would do their final exam the following year. \_\_\_\_\_
12. Lisa: "This is the best book I have ever read." (tell, me)  
\_\_\_\_ Lisa told me that that was the best book she had ever read. \_\_\_\_\_