

**'must' (= necessity in the past) does not change, or becomes 'had to'**

23 PAUL: I must catch an early train. ....

24 JILL: I must speak to you. ....

**'must' (= necessity in the future) does not change, or becomes 'would have to'**

25 BILL: I must leave tomorrow. ....

26 JANE: I must work till late. ....

**'must' (= deduction or possibility) does not change.**

27 PHIL: John must be a fool. ....

**'mustn't' (= prohibition) does not change, or becomes 'couldn't'**

28 JEAN: I mustn't eat meat. ....

29 JEFF: They mustn't give up. ....

### 15.3B Pronoun and adverb changes in indirect speech [ > LEG 15.12-13]

**Study:**

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1 Pronouns change (or not) depending on the view of the reporter:

*'I'll send you a card, Sue.'* (actual words spoken by Ann)

*Ann told Sue she'd send her a card.* (reported by someone else)

*Ann said/told me she would send me a card.* (reported by Sue)

*I told Sue (that) I'd send her a card.* (reported by Ann)

2 Time and place changes: Adverb changes depend on context, e.g.

*now* → *immediately/then*

*today* → *that day*

*tonight* → *that night*, etc.

It is not always necessary to make these changes, especially in spoken indirect speech.

*'I'll see you tonight,' he said.* → *He said he would see me tonight.*

### 15.3C Context

**Write:** Turn each direct-speech statement into indirect speech with tense changes.



Nuts and water without the nuts

JUST WHAT THE DOCTOR ORDERED!

'I've conducted a number of tests,' Dr Grey said.

1 *Dr. Grey said (that) she had conducted a number of tests.* .....

'I must put you on a very strict diet,' she told me.

2 .....

'You're putting on a lot of weight,' she said.

3 .....

'You have gained 5.5 kilos in six months,' she added.

4 .....

'You gained 10 kilos last year,' she reminded me.

5 .....

'You will get very fat if you go on like this,' she told me.

6 .....

'You should eat very little,' she said.

7 .....

'So I'll have to live on nuts and water,' I said nervously.

8 .....

'You can live on nuts and water without the nuts,' she said.

9 .....