

Direct and reported speech

Direct

“Look out!” shouted Tom, “The bomb is landing as a direct hit on the high street!”

Reported

Mrs Jones told us that school was very different when she was young.

“There were no electronic devices such as mobile phones, tablets or MP3 players in my Christmas stocking,” laughed Jim.

We learned that Mark enjoyed spending whole days fishing during the summer holidays.

Mrs Jones remembered, “There was a long walk from my house to the stop where I caught the bus to school.”

The ladies reminisced that the sun always seemed to shine as they played outside all holiday.

“My great treat at the weekend was going to buy warm bread, fresh from the baker,” explained Ellen.

Now try to write two examples of your own.