

## Decir with that

## I said that ...



## decir que

dije que	dijimos que
dijiste que	
dijo que	dijeron que

**I said that ...**

'That' is translated as *que* which forms a bridge that allows you to conjugate in any tense after the 'that'

*I said that I am ready.* = Dije que estoy listo/a.

*He said that he went last night.* = Él dijo que fue anoche.\*

\*You must identify a time reference in the past to use the preterite.

In a compound sentence with one subject, clarify the subject in the first clause and leave out the clarifier in the second.

**Refused**

*No quiso* can translate as she refused. Refer to page 74. (see #14)



If there is a change of subject, clarify when needed. If there is no change of subject, clarify only in the first reference. **answers on next page**

1. I said that I went yesterday. \_\_\_\_\_
2. I said that she arrived last night. \_\_\_\_\_
3. You (*tú*) said that you found out last night. \_\_\_\_\_
4. You (*tú*) said that she returned home early. \_\_\_\_\_
5. You (*Ud.*) said that they (*m*) did it yesterday. \_\_\_\_\_
6. You (*Ud.*) said that María brought the *piñata*. \_\_\_\_\_
7. He said that he made a reservation in April. \_\_\_\_\_
8. She said that you (*tú*) fixed it (*m*) this morning \_\_\_\_\_
9. We said that he got the tickets. \_\_\_\_\_
10. We said that we didn't hear her. \_\_\_\_\_
11. They (*m*) said that he put it (*m*) there. \_\_\_\_\_
12. They (*f*) said that she sang well last night. \_\_\_\_\_
13. You all said that you all bought it (*m*) here. \_\_\_\_\_
14. You all said that she refused to do it. \_\_\_\_\_ no quiso
15. You (*tú*) said that you left at 9 o'clock. \_\_\_\_\_
16. He said that he washed the car on Sunday. \_\_\_\_\_
17. We said that we ate in that restaurant. \_\_\_\_\_
18. My sons said that they studied for three hours. \_\_\_\_\_
19. He said that Juan didn't pay. \_\_\_\_\_
20. I said that I didn't use the telephone. \_\_\_\_\_
21. You (*Ud.*) said that they (*m*) closed the store. \_\_\_\_\_
22. The students (*m*) said they saw the accident. \_\_\_\_\_ el accidente



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As a spoken exercise, translate from English to Spanish, then from Spanish to English.

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| 1. Dije que fui ayer.                                | 1. I said that I went yesterday.                                       |
| 2. Dije que ella llegó anoche.                       | 2. I said that she arrived last night.                                 |
| 3. Dijiste que supiste anoche.                       | 3. You ( <i>tú</i> ) said that you found out last night.               |
| 4. Dijiste que ella regresó a casa temprano.         | 4. You ( <i>tú</i> ) said that she returned home early.                |
| 5. Ud. dijo que ellos lo hicieron ayer.              | 5. You ( <i>Ud.</i> ) said that they ( <i>m</i> ) did it yesterday.    |
| 6. Ud. dijo que María trajo la piñata.               | 6. You ( <i>Ud.</i> ) said that Maria brought the <i>piñata</i> .      |
| 7. Él dijo que hizo una reservación en abril.        | 7. He said that he made a reservation in April.                        |
| 8. Ella dijo que lo arreglaste esta mañana.          | 8. She said that you ( <i>tú</i> ) fixed it ( <i>m</i> ) this morning. |
| 9. Dijimos que él consiguió los boletos.             | 9. We said that he got the tickets.                                    |
| 10. Dijimos que no la oímos.                         | 10. We said that we didn't hear her.                                   |
| 11. Ellos dijeron que él lo puso allí.               | 11. They ( <i>m</i> ) said that he put it ( <i>m</i> ) there.          |
| 12. Ellas dijeron que ella cantó bien anoche.        | 12. They ( <i>f</i> ) said that she sang well last night.              |
| 13. Uds. dijeron que lo compraron aquí.              | 13. You all said that you all bought it ( <i>m</i> ) here.             |
| 14. Uds. dijeron que ella no quiso hacerlo.          | 14. You all said that she refused to do it.                            |
| 15. Dijiste que saliste a las nueve.                 | 15. You ( <i>tú</i> ) said that you left at 9 o'clock.                 |
| 16. Él dijo que lavó el coche el domingo.            | 16. He said that he washed the car on Sunday.                          |
| 17. Dijimos que comimos en ese restaurante.          | 17. We said that we ate in that restaurant.                            |
| 18. Mis hijos dijeron que estudiaron por tres horas. | 18. My sons said that they studied for three hours.                    |
| 19. Él dijo que Juan no pagó.                        | 19. He said that Juan didn't pay.                                      |
| 20. Dije que no usé el teléfono.                     | 20. I said that I didn't use the telephone.                            |
| 21. Ud. dijo que ellos cerraron la tienda.           | 21. You ( <i>Ud.</i> ) said that they ( <i>m</i> ) closed the store.   |
| 22. Los estudiantes dijeron que vieron el accidente. | 22. The students said they saw the accident.                           |