

15th November

OET Writing – Using Reporting Verbs in OET

Starter

Complete using a reporting verb from the list and the correct form of the verb in brackets. Use an object where necessary

accuse / invite / offer / promise / recommend / refuse / remind / ~~suggest~~ / threaten

1. Ryan said, 'Let's go for a walk. It's a beautiful day.'
Ryan **suggested going** (go) for a walk.
2. 'You copied Anna's exam!' the teacher said to him.
The teacher **accused him of copying** (copy) Anna's exam.
3. Sam's neighbour told him, 'I'll call the police if you have any more parties.'
Sam's neighbour **threatened to call** (call) the police if he had any more parties.
4. The children said, 'We're not going to bed. It's much too early.'
The children **refused to go** (go) to bed.
5. Simon said to me, 'Would you like to have dinner with me?'
Simon **invited me to have** (have) dinner with him.
6. Molly said to Jack, 'Don't forget to phone the electrician.'
Molly **reminded Jack to phone** (phone) the electrician.
7. Ricky said, 'I'll never do it again.'
Ricky **promised not to do** (do) it again.
8. Sarah said, 'You really must try Gianmarco's. It's a fantastic restaurant.'
Sarah **recommended trying** (try) Gianmarco's. She said it was fantastic.

On the next page, we have some extracts from OET writing notes

Please use a suitable reporting verb to report what the patient said or did

You could use these verbs:

remind / encourage / agree / admit / insist / refuse / decide / reveal / warn

Ms Sarah Day:

24.02.18

Pt presented alone. Complains of numbness and tingling (paraesthesia) in fingers 4 & 5 left hand. No improvement in symptoms.

Pt reported car accident Jun 2017. Not previously disclosed as wishes to keep from mother.

Sustained 'whiplash injury'.

No treatment sought at time.

Referral to neurologist, for investigation and management.

Ms Day **revealed/admitted** that she had had a car accident in June 2017.

Ms Day had a car accident in June 2017 and **decided** not to tell her mother.

Ms Day **told** me that she had had a car accident in June 2017.

Ms Day **admitted** having a car accident in June 2017.

Mrs Marjorie Jackson:

Plan:

Bereavement counselling – liaising with local social worker

22/2/10

Examination: Still very tearful; difficulty engaging in normal daily activities

Attending social worker on weekly basis

16/3/10

Examination: Brought in by family

Very withdrawn; not giving answers to most questions

Relatives report refusing food at home last few days; not taken medication for last six days; muttering to herself at odd times – not seeming to make sense

Mrs Jackson was **encouraged** to attend bereavement counselling.

Mrs Jackson **agreed** to attend bereavement counselling.

Mrs Jackson **refused** to answer most questions.

Mrs Jackson **refused** to eat food and take her medication.

Mr Barry Jones:

Discussions:

Pt bored, discouraged, **wants to return to work**. Restless.

Mr Jones **insisted** on returning to work.

Mr Jones **decided** to return to work.

Ms Eleanor Bennet:

Presenting complaint:

15 May 2021 Side effects of captopril – dizziness and light-headedness, headaches, episodes of diarrhoea
Pt reports ↑stress from side effects

Pt requests captopril discontinuation (side effects) – reluctant to start new meds

Ms Bennet **asked** to discontinue captopril.

Ms Bennet **asked** if she could discontinue captopril.

Ms Bennet **decided** to stop taking captopril.

Ms Bennet **refused** to start a new medication.

What did medical staff say or do?

Mr Peter Dunbar:

March 2018 GP prescribed metformin (oral hypoglycaemic agent). Now Pt cooking for self – non-compliant with diet. Non-compliant with medication. Blames poor memory
Pt appears unmotivated. Resents having to take medication: ‘always been healthy’

Takes medication intermittently; **encouraged to take regularly**

Educated regarding need for regular medication and potential adverse effects of intermittent dosing

Discussed strategies of memory aids

We **encouraged** Mr Dunbar to take his medication regularly.

Mr Dunbar **was encouraged** to take his medication regularly.

We **warned** Mr Dunbar not to take his medication intermittently.

Mr Dunbar **was warned** not to take his medication intermittently.

We **reminded** Mr Dunbar to take his medication regularly.

Mr Dunbar **was reminded** to take his medication regularly.

We **advised** Mr Dunbar to use memory aids.

Mr Dunbar **was advised** to use memory aids.

We **recommended** using memory aids.

Mr Dunbar **was recommended** to use memory aids.