

REPORTED SPEECH



Practice makes you better

BOYZONE – Father and son

I. Listen to the first verse and fill in the blanks:

It's not time to make
Just relax--.....
You're still--that's your
There's so much you know
Find a girl, down
If you want, you can
..... at me--I am old
But I'm

II. Listen to the second verse and match the two parts of each sentence:

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| 1. I was once like | a. you've got |
| 2. And I know that | b. here tomorrow |
| 3. To become when | c. going on |
| 4. Something | d. may not... |
| 5. But take your time- | e. you are now |
| 6. Think of everything | f. -think a lot |
| 7. For you will still be | g. it's not easy |
| 8. But your dreams | h. you've found |

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.

III. Put the lines in the correct order to get the verse:

- And it's always been the same
- Now there's a way, and I know
- When I do--it turns away again
- I was ordered to listen
- How can I try to explain?
- From the moment I could talk
- I know, I have to go...
- Same old story
- That I have to go away

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.

IV. Turn the following sentences into Direct Speech:

1. He said it was not time to make a change

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2. He advised him just to sit down

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3. He advised him to take it slowly

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4. He told him the he was still young and that was his fault

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5. He said that there was so much he had to go through

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6. He advised him to find a girl, to settle down

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7. He said that if he wanted, you could marry

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8. He told him to look at him—he was old

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9. He said that he was happy

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V. Turn the following lines into Reported speech, starting with *He said*:

1. All the times, that I've cried

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2. Keeping all the things I knew inside

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3. And it's hard

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4. But it's harder to ignore it

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5. If they were right--I'd agree

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6. But it's them--they know

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7. Not me that I have to go away

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KEY:**I.** It's not time to make a changeJust relax--take it easyYou're still young--that's your faultThere's so much you have to knowFind a girl, settle downIf you want, you can marryLook at me--I am oldBut I'm happy**II.** I was once like you are now

And I know that it's not easy

To become when you've found

Something going on

But take your time--think a lot

Think of everything you've got

For you will still be here tomorrow

But your dreams may not...

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
E	G	H	C	F	A	B	D

III. How can I try to explain?

When I do--it turns away again

And it's always been the same

Same old story

From the moment I could talk

I was ordered to listen

Now there's a way, and I know

That I have to go away

I know, I have to go...

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
E	C	A	H	F	D	B	I	G

IV.

1. It's not time to make a change
2. Just sit down
3. and take it slowly
4. You're still young--that's your fault
5. There's so much you have to go through
6. Find a girl, settle down
7. If you want, you can marry
8. Look at me--I am old
9. But I'm happy

V. 1. He said that all the times, that he had cried.

2. He said that keeping all the things he had known inside.
3. He said that it was hard.
4. He said that it was harder to ignore it
5. He said that If they had been right—he would have agreed.
6. He said but it was them--they knew.
7. He said that not him that he had to go away.