I Should Have Been at Work

English · B2

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The grammar · Reported speech: said it was

Find it: __ / 2

1 · SEE IT

and asked if I was feeling any better.

2 · LEARN IT

"It's interesting"	you said it was interesting	**"You're next"**	she said I was next
"You love the camera"	you said I loved the camera	**"They're rude"**	you said they were rude
"You're into climbing"	it told me you were into climbing	**"I'm fine"**	I said I was fine

3 · FIND IT

Circle every example of reported speech. One line has none.

1. only with a lot more salt in it.
2. I could have told him I'd made a miracle recovery,
3. He told me to get some rest and drink a lot of water,

2 · Lyric Scramble

__ / 5

Number the lines 1 to 5, in song order.

- [ ] I should have been at work, but the waves were calling!
- [ ] and I knew I'd regret it all summer
- [ ] The forecast had promised a six-foot swell on Tuesday,
- [ ] if I spent that morning selling paint at the hardware store.
- [ ] So I called my manager and faked a cough

Sing it together

Play the song. Everyone sings the chorus. Then two halves take turns, line by line.

My score ____ / 7

For parents: scan to play the song at home. The app is free to try.

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English · B2 · Grammar: Reported speech: said it was · 7 points

Grammar · Find it (2)

1 none 2 told 3 told

2 · Lyric Scramble (5)

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For the teacher

Play the song once with the lyrics. Do "See it" and "Learn it" together; students do "Find it". Students do the 4 games alone or as homework, add up their score and hand in the sheet. Each game is also in the app's Arcade.

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