

Upper-Intermediate/ lesson 3  
Tell or Say



Exercise 1: Use **told** or **said**.

1. The salesperson ..... me that there was a six-month guarantee on the product.
2. The doctor ..... that I would have to rest my ankle and keep the bandage on.
3. 'Let's finalize the contract', he ..... to participants of the conference.
4. 'You must recognize that stress is the leading cause of ill health', the psychologist ..... them.
5. The teacher ..... , 'Let's take the time to explore these issues in a little more depth.'

Exercise 2: Use **tell** or **say** in the correct form.

1. Can you ..... me the time of the meeting?
2. .... a few words about these top-level universities, please.
3. I wouldn't ..... so.
4. The receptionist ..... him the way to the venue.
5. She has ..... something to us, but we couldn't understand her clearly.
6. You mustn't ..... a lie.
7. Unfortunately, you can't always be sure that they ..... the truth in the news on this channel.

Check yourself:

Exercise 1: 1 told 2 said 3 said 4 told 5 said  
 Exercise 2: 1 tell 2 say 3 say 4 told 5 said 6 tell 7 tell