Reported commands

**1. polite commands, requests:**

He said, “Hand in your books, please.” (Teacher to the class.)

* He asked us to hand in our books.
* He wanted us to hand in our books.
* (He said that we should hand in our books.)

**2. normal command:**

He said, “Meet me in the park!”

* He told me to meet him in the park.
* He wanted me to meet him in the park.

He said. “Let´s meet in the park!”

* He suggested meeting in the park.
* (He suggested that we should meet in the park).

**3. strong command:**

He shouted at her, “Put your mobile into your locker!”

* He ordered her to put her mobile into her locker.
* He told her to put her mobile into her locker.

**4. negative command:**

He said, “Don’t say a word!”

* He told us not to say a word.
* He didn´t want us to say a word.

**Exercises:**

1. He said to his girlfriend, “Let´s meet in front of the cinema.”
2. Sue said to me, “Please, call back soon.”
3. Our neighbour said to my mum, “Let´s have a cup of coffee together!”
4. The teacher said to the students, “Don´t forget to correct your tests!”
5. Mum said to the kids, “Hurry up now!”
6. The man said to us, “Don´t pick flowers in the park!”
7. The elderly lady said to me, “Don´t touch my dog!”
8. Mum said to Sam, “Don´t forget to take the dog for a walk!”
9. Mum said to the kids, “Watch out before you cross the street!”
10. Lucy said to her boyfriend, “Please, take me home now!”
11. Mum said to dad, “Don´t drive so fast!”
12. The policeman said to dad, “Show me your driving licence!”

SOLUTION

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1. He suggested meeting in front of the cinema.
2. Sue asked me to call her back soon.
3. Our neighbour suggested having a cup of coffee with my mum.
4. The teacher told the students not to forget to correct their tests.
5. Mum said told the kids to hurry up.
6. The man told us not to pick flowers in the park.
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8. Mum told Sam not to forget to take the dog for a walk.
9. Mum told the kids to watch out before they crossed the street.
10. Lucy asked her boyfriend to take her home.
11. Mum told dad not to drive so fast.
12. The policeman ordered dad to show him his driving licence.