

# SAID

My teacher **said**, "Please write a story with dialogue using the word **said** before each quote."

When proofreading, try to find a verb from the list and replace **said**... don't force it. If the verb you choose does not sound natural, use **said**.

**Said** is the second best choice.

P.S. The **Minnesota Vikings** are a football team that disappoints their miserable fans year after painful year.

# **Said and Ed Are Both the Second Best Choices**

Ed **said** (**proposed**), "Will you marry me?"

Gloria **said** (**thought aloud**), "I don't know.  
You're a fan of the Minnesota Vikings."

Ed **said** (**replied**), "What?"

Gloria **said** (**elaborated**), "We all know Vikings'  
fans are miserable people on most Sundays,  
Mondays and every January."

Ed **said** (**whispered**), "I am honest with my  
emotions."

Gloria **said** (**giggled and quipped**), "At least  
you're not a Cincinnati Bengals' fan. Those  
people don't even have hope!"

Ed **said** (**questioned**), "Is that a yes or a no?"

Gloria **said** (**answered**), "Yes."

Ed **said** (**responded**), "Great!"

Gloria **said** (**asked**), "Where is the ring?"

Ed **said** (**inquired**), "What ring?"

Gloria **said** (**explained**), "The ring a man gives a woman when he proposes. That is called an engagement ring."

Ed **said** (**mumbled**), "I am a Vikings' fan. I do not know anything about engagement or Super Bowl rings..."

Gloria **said** (**interjected**), "You only know about ring around the collar."

Ed **said** (**admitted**), "A Vikings' fan is always sweating from mistakes made by the team's management."

Gloria **said** (**revealed**), "The Green Bay Packers have more rings than fingers."

Ed **said** (**pleaded**), "Stop! You're breaking my heart more than the Vikings' draft picks."

Gloria **said** (**insisted**), "If you want to marry me, give me a ring!"

Ed **said** (**blurted**), "Wait a minute!"

Gloria **said** (**muttered**), "OK."

Ed **said** (**shouted**), "Look at your phone!"

Gloria **said** (**stated**), "I keep my phone turned off."

Ed **said** (**screamed**), "No!"

Gloria **said** (**snapped**), "What is your problem?"

Ed **said** (**voiced**), "I called your phone to give you a ring."

Gloria **said** (**announced**), "Go back to working in a cheese factory and raising your pet lion and bear."

Ed **said** (**confessed**), "Some people are meant to be more lonely than an equine in a one-horse town."