

SAY / TELL / TALK / SPEAK

	Uses	Examples
Say	<p>-Used with direct and indirect speech</p> <p>-Say is most used without a personal object If we want to put a personal object after say, we use to.</p>	<p>-She said that it was my last chance.</p> <p>-He said "Good morning"</p> <p>-And I say to all the people of this great country ...</p>
Tell	<p>-Used with direct and indirect speech after tell, we usually say who is told, i.e., tell someone something.</p> <p>- only used to mean "instruct" or "inform"</p> <p>- tell is used to tell someone to do something</p> <p>- tell is not used before objects like a word, a name, a sentence, a phrase.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - She told me that she would be late. - She told me that was my last chance. - I don't want to tell you again to get your homework done.
Talk	<p>- There is not very much difference between speak and talk.</p> <p>- talk is the more usual word to refer to conversational exchanges and informal situations</p>	<p>- When she walked into the room everybody stopped talking.</p>
Speak	<p>Is often used for one-way communication and for exchanges in more serious or formal situations.</p> <p>- Speak is the usual word to refer knowledge and use of languages.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I'll have to speak to that boy- he's getting really lazy. - After she had finished reading the letter, nobody spoke. - She speaks three languages fluently.



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