REPORTED SPEECH

(in the present)

Statements:

• Fred says to Tom, "I have made a mistake." Fred tells Tom that he has made a mistake.

Questions:

- Fred asks, "When is school over?"
 Fred wants to know when school is over.
- Fred asks me, "What time <u>does</u> school <u>finish</u>?" Fred asks me what time school finishes.
- Fred asks, "<u>Is it cold in Finland?</u>"
 Fred wants to know if / whether <u>it is cold in Finland</u>.
- Fred asks Mary, "<u>Did</u> you <u>go</u> there alone?" Fred asks Mary if / whether she <u>went</u> there alone.

Orders and requests:

- Fred says, "Open the window, Tom." Fred tells Tom to open the window.
- Fred says to Tom, "Open the window, please." Fred <u>asks</u> Tom to open the window.
- Fred says, "Don't open the window, Tom." Fred tells / asks Tom not to open the window.