

# is it ... ? have you ... ? do they ... ? etc. (questions 1)

A

positive **you are** You are eating.  
question **are you** Are you eating? What **are you** eating?

In questions, the first verb (**is/are/have** etc.) is before the subject:

positive subject + verb			question verb + subject	
I	<b>am</b> late.	→	<b>Am</b>	I late?
That seat	<b>is</b> free.	→	<b>Is</b>	<b>that seat</b> free?
She	<b>was</b> angry.	→	Why <b>was</b>	<b>she</b> angry?
David	<b>has</b> gone.	→	Where <b>has</b>	<b>David</b> gone?
You	<b>have</b> got a car.	→	<b>Have</b>	<b>you</b> got a car?
They	<b>will</b> be here soon.	→	When <b>will</b>	<b>they</b> be here?
Paula	<b>can</b> swim.	→	<b>Can</b>	<b>Paula</b> swim?

Remember: the subject is after the first verb.

- Where **has David** gone? (*not* Where has gone David?)
- Are those people** waiting for something? (*not* Are waiting ... ?)
- When **was the telephone** invented? (*not* When was invented ... ?)

B

do ... ? / does ... ? / did ... ?

present simple questions	<b>do</b>	I/we/you/they	work/live/go etc. ... ?
	<b>does</b>	he/she/it	
past simple questions	<b>did</b>	I/they/he/she etc.	

positive		question
They <b>work</b> hard.	→	<b>Do</b> they <b>work</b> hard?
You <b>watch</b> television.	→	How often <b>do</b> you <b>watch</b> television?
Chris <b>works</b> hard.	→	<b>Does</b> Chris <b>work</b> hard?
She <b>gets up</b> early.	→	What time <b>does</b> she <b>get up</b> ?
They <b>worked</b> hard.	→	<b>Did</b> they <b>work</b> hard?
You <b>had</b> dinner.	→	What <b>did</b> you <b>have</b> for dinner?
She <b>got up</b> early.	→	What time <b>did</b> she <b>get up</b> ?

Sometimes **do** is the main verb (do you **do** / did he **do** etc.):

- What **do** you usually **do** at weekends?
- 'What **does** your brother **do**?' 'He works in a bank.'
- 'I broke my finger last week.' 'How **did** you **do** that?' (*not* How did you that?)

C

Why isn't ... ? / Why don't ... ? etc. (**Why** + negative):

- Where's John? **Why isn't he** here? (*not* Why he isn't here?)
- Why can't Paula** come to the meeting tomorrow? (*not* Why Paula can't ... ?)
- Why didn't you** phone me last night?

## 44.1 Write questions.

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|-------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| 1 I can swim.                 | (and you?)    | Can you swim?        |
| 2 I work hard.                | (and Jack?)   | Does Jack work hard? |
| 3 I was late this morning.    | (and you?)    | .....                |
| 4 I've got a key.             | (and Kate?)   | .....                |
| 5 I'll be here tomorrow.      | (and you?)    | .....                |
| 6 I'm going out this evening. | (and Paul?)   | .....                |
| 7 I like my job.              | (and you?)    | .....                |
| 8 I live near here.           | (and Nicole?) | .....                |
| 9 I enjoyed the film.         | (and you?)    | .....                |
| 10 I had a good holiday.      | (and you?)    | .....                |

## 44.2 You are talking to a friend about driving. Write the full questions.



You

- 1 (have / a car?) *Have you got a car?*
- 2 (use / a lot?) ..... it .....
- 3 (use / yesterday?) .....
- 4 (enjoy driving?) .....
- 5 (a good driver?) .....
- 6 (ever / have / an accident?) .....

Yes, I have.  
 Yes, nearly every day.  
 Yes, to go to work.  
 Not very much.  
 I think I am.  
 No, never.

## 44.3 Make questions with these words. Put the words in the right order.

- 1 (has / gone / where / David?) *Where has David gone?*
- 2 (working / Rachel / is / today?) *Is Rachel working today?*
- 3 (the children / what / are / doing?) What .....
- 4 (made / is / how / cheese?) .....
- 5 (to the party / coming / is / your sister?) .....
- 6 (you / the truth / tell / don't / why?) .....
- 7 (your guests / have / yet / arrived?) .....
- 8 (leave / what time / your train / does?) .....
- 9 (to work / Emily / why / go / didn't?) .....
- 10 (your car / in the accident / was / damaged?) .....

## 44.4 Complete the questions.

- 1 I want to go out.
- 2 Kate and Paul aren't going to the party.
- 3 I'm reading.
- 4 Sue went to bed early.
- 5 My parents are going on holiday.
- 6 I saw Tom a few days ago.
- 7 I can't come to the party.
- 8 Tina has gone away.
- 9 I need some money.
- 10 Angela doesn't like me.
- 11 It rains sometimes.
- 12 I did the shopping.

- 1 Where *do you want to go?*
- 2 Why *aren't they going?*
- 3 What .....
- 4 What time .....
- 5 When .....
- 6 Where .....
- 7 Why .....
- 8 Where .....
- 9 How much .....
- 10 Why .....
- 11 How often .....
- 12 When .....