

Questions without auxiliaries

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subject	verb	
Who	painted	Mr and Mrs Clark and Percy?
Which singer	made	reggae popular all over the world?
How many people	live	near the school?
Who	wants	a cup of coffee?

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- When the question word (Who?, What?, Which?, How many?, etc.) is the subject of the verb in the question, we don't use an auxiliary verb (do / does / did).
Who painted Mr and Mrs Clark and Percy?
NOT *Who did paint...?*
- In most other questions in the simple present and past, we use the auxiliary verb *do / does / did* + the base form.
What music do you like? **NOT** *What music you like?*
See 1A p.126.

1 GRAMMAR questions without auxiliaries

a Circle the correct question.

- a Who did paint *The Kiss*?
b Who painted *The Kiss*?
- a Which instrument does Yo-Yo Ma play?
b Which instrument plays Yo-Yo Ma?
- a How many lives do cats have in the US?
b How many lives have cats in the US?
- a What did happen in Japan on March 11, 2011?
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- a Which American singer did die on June 25, 2009?
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- a Who did Beyoncé marry in 2008?
b Who Beyoncé married in 2008?
- a What animal caught a train for 31 miles?
b What animal did catch a train for 31 miles?
- a What invented Peter Durand in 1810?
b What did Peter Durand invent in 1810?

b Match the questions in a with these answers.

- Nine.
- An earthquake and a tsunami.
- Michael Jackson.
- Gustav Klimt.
- Jay-Z.
- Canned food.
- The cello.
- A dog.