

GRAMMAR REFERENCE AND PRACTICE

UNIT 1 QUESTION FORMS

Yes/No question forms in simple tenses

- Simple tenses use the verb **do** + the infinitive when forming Yes/No questions.
You catch the bus. → **Do you catch** the bus?
She plays volleyball. → **Does she play** volleyball?
They caught the bus. → **Did they catch** the bus?

Yes/No question forms with *be*

- The verb **be** does not use an auxiliary verb to form questions.
They were at home. → **Were they at home?**

Yes/No question forms in continuous tenses

- I'm winning.* → **Am I winning?**
He was singing. → **Was he singing?**

Yes/No question forms in perfect tenses

- He's made a mistake.* → **Has he made a mistake?**

Yes/No question forms with modal verbs

- Modal verbs can form questions like auxiliary verbs.
He'd like a drink. → **Would he like a drink?**
I can carry the bag. → **Can I carry the bag?**

Wh- question forms

- Questions with a question word e.g. **who, what, which, where, why, how, when, how long/much/many/often, what time** are usually formed in the same way as Yes/No questions.
Where do you work? **What was he singing?**
Why aren't they running? **How long did it take?**

Subject and object questions

- When the question is about the object of the sentence, the word order is the same as other questions.

Subject		Object
She	plays	volleyball.
The bird	is eating	the bread.
We	've made	a mistake.
Object		Subject
What	does	she play?
What	is	it eating?
What	have	we made?

- When the question is about the subject of the sentence, the word order is the same as a statement.

Subject		Object
Who	plays	volleyball?
What	is eating	the bread?
Who	has made	a mistake?

Practice

- 1** Read the sentences, then write a question for the answer which follows.

- 0 My class is starting a drama club this term.
 What is your class starting this term?
 A drama club.
- 1 Membership costs £5.
 How much _____?
 £5.
- 2 We're planning to meet every Friday at six.
 What time _____?
 Six.
- 3 We had our first meeting last Friday.
 When _____?
 Last Friday.
- 4 Fifteen people came to the party.
 How many _____?
 Fifteen.
- 5 Most of them were girls.
 _____ girls?
 Yes, there were only three boys.
- 6 We should try to get more boys.
 _____ more boys?
 Yes, if possible.
- 7 We want to do a comedy show at the end of term.
 What _____?
 A comedy show.
- 8 Our drama teacher can help us.
 Who _____?
 Our drama teacher.

- 2** Find the mistakes in the questions and correct them.

- 1 How much costs this shirt?

- 2 Does your dad sometimes gets angry with you?

- 3 What time the exam finished?

- 4 Where you'd like to go this evening?

- 5 Do we can go out now?

- 6 Which team does support your brother?

- 7 What I should give my friend for her birthday?
