

QUESTION TAGS

1. Tag questions are used to confirm information we are not sure about. They go at the end of a sentence.
2. To make the tag question we use the auxiliary we would use to make a question with that sentence.
3. The subject in the tag should always be a **SUBJECT PRONOUN**.
4. When the sentence is positive, the tag is negative.
5. When the sentence is negative, the tag is positive.
6. **ATTENTION** if a sentence includes **INDEFINITE PRONOUNS, LET'S, NEGATIVE WORDS, or IMPERATIVES!** See the corresponding box to learn how these sentences work.

Study the boxes below, and then do the exercise.

POSITIVE SENTENCE → NEGATIVE TAG	NEGATIVE SENTENCE → POSITIVE TAG	IRREGULAR TAG QUESTIONS
<p>SIMPLE PRESENT</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I am in this team, AREN'T I? 2. He is a lawyer, ISN'T HE? 3. We are all students, AREN'T WE? <p>PRESENT CONTINUOUS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. I am doing well, AREN'T I? 5. Karen is working now, ISN'T SHE? 6. They are studying now, AREN'T THEY? <p>SIMPLE PAST</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. I was right, WASN'T I? 8. They were at home, WEREN'T THEY? 9. He participated, DIDN'T HE? 10. You took the bus, DIDN'T YOU? <p>PAST CONTINUOUS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. I was sleeping, WASN'T I? 12. He was cooking, WASN'T HE? 13. They were eating, WEREN'T THEY? <p>FUTURE</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 14. You will come, WON'T YOU? <p>CONDITIONAL</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 15. She would tell me, WOULDN'T SHE? 	<p>SIMPLE PRESENT</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I am not in this team, AM I? 2. He isn't a lawyer, IS HE? 3. We aren't all students, ARE WE? <p>PRESENT CONTINUOUS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. I am not doing well, AM I? 5. Karen isn't working now, IS SHE? 6. They aren't studying now, ARE THEY? <p>SIMPLE PAST</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. I wasn't right, WAS I? 8. They weren't at home, WERE THEY? 9. He didn't participate, DID HE? 10. You didn't take the bus, DID YOU? <p>PAST CONTINUOUS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. I wasn't sleeping, WAS I? 12. He wasn't cooking, WAS HE? 13. They weren't eating, WERE THEY? <p>FUTURE</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 14. You won't come, WILL YOU? <p>CONDITIONAL</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 15. She wouldn't tell me, WOULD SHE? 	<p>INDEFINITE PRONOUNS SOMEBODY, SOMEONE, EVERYBODY, EVERYONE, NOBODY & NO ONE. When the subject is one of these words, "THEY" is used in the tag question!</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Somebody wanted to speak, DIDN'T THEY? 2. Everyone will go, WON'T THEY? 3. Someone is absent, AREN'T THEY? <p>LET'S SHALL is the word used in the tag!</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Let's go to a restaurant, SHALL WE? 5. Let's play soccer, SHALL WE? 6. Let's work together, SHALL WE? <p>IMPERATIVES The tag is always POSITIVE!</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Close the door, WILL YOU? 8. Open the window, WILL YOU? 9. Don't forget your homework, WILL YOU? 10. Don't scream, WILL YOU?
<p>PRESENT PERFECT</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 16. I have passed the exam, HAVEN'T I? 17. He has arrived, HASN'T HE? 18. They have finished, HAVEN'T THEY? <p>PAST PERFECT</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 19. I had already been here, HADN'T I? 20. She had already spoken, HADN'T SHE? 21. We had seen you before, HADN'T WE? <p>MODALS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 22. You can speak English, CAN'T YOU? 23. He could swim, COULDN'T HE? 24. We should go, SHOULDN'T WE? 25. They must be here, MUSTN'T THEY? 	<p>PRESENT PERFECT</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 16. I haven't passed the exam, HAVE I? 17. He hasn't arrived, HAS HE? 18. They haven't finished, HAVE THEY? <p>PAST PERFECT</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 19. I hadn't been here before, HAD I? 20. She hadn't spoken yet, HAD SHE? 21. We hadn't seen you before, HAD WE? <p>MODALS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 22. You can't speak English, CAN YOU? 23. He couldn't swim, COULD HE? 24. We shouldn't study, SHOULD WE? 25. They mustn't be here, MUST THEY? 	<p>NEGATIVE WORDS With NOBODY, NO ONE, NEVER & NOTHING, the tag should be positive!</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. Nobody is absent today, ARE THEY? 12. No one failed the test, DID THEY? 13. You have never ridden a horse, HAVE YOU? 14. Nothing was true, WAS IT?

SPEAKING WORKSHEET

Complete the Question Tags speaking

POSITIVE SENTENCE → NEGATIVE TAG

1. Tom must be in his office, _____?
2. They were good friends, _____?
3. We are taking the bus, _____?
4. I am on time, _____?
5. Sara could help us, _____?
6. My friends told you that, _____?

NEGATIVE SENTENCE → POSITIVE TAG

1. We can't take the train here, _____?
2. You haven't seen my keys, _____?
3. They shouldn't be here, _____?
4. Mary won't do it, _____?
5. I don't have to make the copies, _____?

Choose the correct Question Tag

IRREGULAR TAG QUESTIONS

1. Everyone is having fun, _____?
2. Let's go to the movies, _____?
3. Nobody called me, _____?
4. Prepare the salad, _____?
5. Somebody is cleaning the kitchen, _____?
6. Let's go for a drink, _____?
7. Nothing you told me was serious, _____?
8. They had never been to an amusement park, _____?
9. Someone is using the phone now, _____?
10. Don't make noise, _____?

LISTEN AND ANSWER

1.

Yes, it has.

Yes, it does.

Yes, it is.

2.

No, it isn't.

Yes, it was.

Yes, it has.

3.

Yes, they do.

Yes, we are

Yes, they have