Question Tags

A question tag is a very short question at the end of a statement which changes the statement into a question.

Remember! If you have a positive statement, then the question tag will be negative. If the statement is negative, the question tag will be positive.

Activity 1: Match the statements with the correct question tag.

isn't it?	can't she?	don't you?	isn't he?	aren't they?	won't we?	isn't she?

1. Thea is a teacher, _____
2. That's your dog, _____
3. Kofi's very tall, _____
4. We will have lunch after school, _____
5. They are brothers, _____
6. Tali can sing, _____
7. You study English at school, _____

Activity 2: Look at the question tags and complete the statement. Tick the correct tense for each sentence.

1. _____, wasn't it?
   - ☐ The test was easy,
   - ☐ The test wasn't easy,
2. _____, do you?
   - ☐ You did like football,
   - ☐ You don't like football,

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3. _____, were they?

The police officers weren't at work,

The police officer wasn't at work,

4. _____, will you?

You won't tell anyone,

You shouldn't tell anyone,

5. _____, have we?

She hasn't studied for the exam,

We haven't finished the project,

6. _____, did he?

Cristiano didn't cook dinner,

He doesn't cook dinner,

7. _____, couldn't we?

We can't meet at the restaurant,

We could meet at the restaurant,

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