

Questions with be

Question	Verb	Subject		
	Are	they	American?	No, they're Canadian.
	Is	this	your coat?	Yes, it is. Thank you!
How old	are	you?		I'm 28.
What time	is	it?		It's about 2:30.

Questions with speak, live, etc.

Question	Auxiliary	Subject	Base form of verb	
	Do	you	speak English?	Yes, I do.
	Does	she	speak Spanish?	No, she doesn't.
Where	do	you	live?	In a city in Argentina.
What	does	your sister	do?	She's a nurse.
What music	do	you	like?	I like Brazilian music.
When	does	Jane	go to the gym?	At 6:00 in the morning.
How	do	you	spell your last name?	S-I-L-V-A.



Questions with do vs. questions with be

Do not use *be* in simple present [?] with *speak, live, etc.*

Do you **like** Spanish food? NOT *Are you like* Spanish food?

Where do they **study** English? NOT *Where are they study* English?

Do not use the auxiliary *do* in questions with *be*.

Where are you from? NOT *Where do you from?*

Are you American? NOT *Do you American?*

Word order:

[+] Subject, verb **It's** summer in Peru.

[?] Verb, subject **Is it** summer in Peru?

[?] Question, verb, subject

When is it summer in Peru?

Word order:

[+] Subject, verb **You go** to the gym.

[?] Auxiliary, subject, base form

Do you go to the gym?

[?] Question, auxiliary, subject, base form

When do you go to the gym?

In simple present [?], *do* / *does* is an auxiliary verb, not a normal verb.

What time **do you start** work?

auxiliary verb normal verb

Use *do* for *I, you, we, and they*. Use *does* for *he, she, and it*.

What time **do Tim and Liz** get up? NOT

What time **does Tim and Liz** get up?

Where does Jason work? NOT *Where do Jason* work?

Use the base form of the verb for all subjects (*I, you, he, she, it, we, they*).

What music **does she like**? NOT *What music does she likes?*

- a Complete the sentences with a question word from the list.

How (x2) What (x2) What time When Where (x2) Who

A What time do you go to bed?

B At about eleven o'clock.

1 A _____ music does she like?

B Jazz music and pop.

2 A _____ old is your sister?

B She's 19.

3 A _____ do you want for lunch?

B A sandwich and a soda, please.

4 A _____'s that woman with Bob?

B It's his sister.

5 A _____ do you have English classes?

B On Thursdays.

6 A _____ do you spell your last name?

B J-O-H-A-N-S-O-N.

7 A _____ does your wife work?

B In an office.

8 A _____ do you usually go on the weekend?

B To the gym, the park, and the stores downtown. LIVEWORKSHEETS

Write questions to complete the dialogue.

A Tell me about your town. ¹*Is it popular with tourists?*

B Yes, it is. It's very popular with tourists. A lot of people come here in the summer.

A ² _____?

B Tourists do a lot of fun things in the summer. They swim in the lake and walk in the mountains.

A ³ _____?

B In the evening, people go to restaurants and movie theaters. On Thursday the art museum is open late.

A ⁴ _____?

B It closes at 9:00 p.m. on Thursday.

A ⁵ _____?

B Yes, tourists come in the winter.

A ⁶ _____?

B Yes, it's cold in the winter. It always snows.
It's a great time to ski.