

Question tags

Question tags are short questions at the end of statements.

They are used to:

- confirm that something is true or not.
- encourage a reply from the person we are speaking to.

We make question tags with an auxiliary verb (*be, have, will, do,*) from the statement and the appropriate subject. When the verb is the main statement and is in the present simple (and isn't *be* or *have*), we use *do* or *does* in the question tag.

- A **positive** statement is followed by a **negative** question tag.
- A **negative** statement is followed by a **positive** question tag.

positive statement			negative question tag
You	are	happy,	aren't you?
She	has	gone home,	hasn't she?
He	will	decide,	won't he?
They	know	the answer,	don't they?

negative statement			positive question tag
You	aren't	scared,	are you?
She	hasn't been	to Malaga,	has she?
He	won't	listen,	will he?
They	don't speak	Spanish,	do they?