Question Tags

Fill in the gaps using the words in the box below.

affirmative x 2, did/didn't, auxiliary, negative, Past Simple, modal, make sure, agree

USE

Question tags are short questions at the end of a positive/negative sentence. We use question tags when:

1. we want someone to ..... with what we are saying
E.g. It's a great film, isn't it?

2. to ..... what we are saying is right
E.g. You enjoy history, don't you?

FORM

1. We form question tags with the ..... or ..... verb of the main sentence **+** a personal pronoun.
e.g. Da Vinci can paint, can't he?
Amelia loves flying, doesn't she?

2. When the verb of the sentence is in the Present Simple we use ***do/does/don't/doesn't*** in the question tag. When the verb is in the ....., we use.....
e.g. Gina eats meat, doesn't she?
Frank played football when he was young, didn't he?

3. When the sentence is affirmative, the question tag is .....
When the sentence is negative, the question tag is .....
e.g. That book is mine, isn't it?
He won't talk to anybody, will he?

4. When the sentence contains a word with a negative meaning, like ***never, hardly ever, rarely or seldom***, the question tag is .....
e.g. He never talks to himself, does he?

REMEMBER!

Some question tags are irregular.

I am in the right place, **aren't I**?
Everyone is very excited, **aren't they**?
Let's investigate this mysterious disappearance, **shall we**?
Don't touch the statues in the museum, **will you**?
Be careful, **won't you**?

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