ASKING QUESTIONS



1 Presentation

Study the table below.

Statement	Question forms
I'm working.	What **are** you doing?
Yes, I **can** swim.	**Can** you swim?
No, I've never been there.	**Have** you been to Italy?
I **was** sleeping.	What **were** you doing this morning?
I'm going to visit my aunt.	What **are** you going to do tomorrow?
I **work**.	What **do** you do everyday?
I **watched** a movie last night.	What **did** you do last night?

Rules for forming questions

Verbs such as **can**, **are**, **is** ,**was**, **have** are called auxiliary or helping verbs.

1. What happens to the position of the subject (e.g. 'you') and the auxiliary verb when we form a question?
2. How do we form questions with the **present simple** and **past simple**?

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Practice 1

Ask an appropriate question for each response:

1. I'm reading a book about travel.

   What . . . . . ?

2. I went to a party.

   Where . . . . . last night?

3. I'm meeting her at 5 o'clock.

   What time . . . . . ?

4. I arrived yesterday.

   When . . . . . ?

5. I was drinking orange juice.

   What . . . .this morning?

6. I get to work by train.

   How . . . . . every day?

7. I'm staying here for two weeks.

   How long . . . . . ?

8. I finished my homework an hour ago.

   When . . . . . ?

Practice 2

Complete the dialogue below. **In pairs, read the dialogue.**

William: Hi, Kate. What did you do at the weekend? (you / do / at the weekend?)

Kate: I went hiking in the mountains.

William: How _____[2] (it / was?)

Kate: It was great. I really enjoyed the fresh air and amazing views.

William: How often _____[3] (you /go hiking?)

Kate: About once a year. What _____[4] (you / do / next weekend?)

William: I don't know yet. Maybe we could go to the cinema. What _____[5] (you / think / about that?)

Kate: Hmm...what film _____[6] (you / want / see?)

William: The new James Bond film. _____[7] (you / see it / yet?)

Kate: No, I haven't. It sounds like a good idea. What time _____[8] (you / want / to meet?)

William: Well, they're showing the film at 8.30pm. So _____[9] (you / can / meet me at 8 o'clock?)

Kate: Sure, no problem.

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