

Homework 1A: Q and A

1 GRAMMAR question formation

a Right (✓) or wrong (✗)? Correct the wrong questions.

1 A ~~You have ever been~~ to Mexico? ✗ Have you ever been

B Yes, a couple of times.

2 Why didn't you tell me the truth? ✓ _____

3 Where you usually go on vacation? _____

4 Haven't you done the homework yet?

5 What did happen at the meeting yesterday?

6 Who is Carlos going out with? _____

7 How much far is it to the station? _____

8 How many people did come to your party?

9 Whose jacket did you borrow for the wedding?

10 Why Marina is driving your car? _____

11 Excuse me. Can you tell me where are the restrooms?

12 How much time have you been studying English?

b Match the sentences to the short questions.

1 I need to leave work an hour early today.

☒ f

2 I've been thinking.

☐

3 Mia's going to the theater tonight.

☐

4 My brother got a love letter!

☐

5 I'm going to Seoul next week on business.

☐

6 You're too late! They've already gone.

☐

a Lucky you! For how long?

b Oh really? With who?

c Where to?

d About what?

e Really! From who?

f ~~What for?~~

c Write questions with or without the auxiliary *do*, *does*, or *did*.



1 when / your brother / pass his driving test

When did your brother pass his driving test ?

2 who / cook / in your family

_____ ?

3 what / happen / if I press this button

_____ ?

- 4 how long / you / stay / in Brazil last summer
_____?
- 5 which / you / prefer – tea or coffee
_____?
- 6 what / make / you angry
_____?
- 7 who / drink / all the juice I / leave / in the refrigerator
_____?
- 8 how long / take / to get to Chicago from here
_____?

d Write indirect questions.

- 1 "Where does Natalie live?"
Do you know where Natalie lives _____?
- 2 "What time is it?"
Could you tell me _____?
- 3 "Where did we park the car?"
Do you remember _____?
- 4 "Are there any tickets left for the concert tonight?"
Do you know _____?
- 5 "What time does the concert start?"
Can you tell me _____?
- 6 "When is Lisa's birthday?"
Can you remember _____?

2 READING & VOCABULARY

a Read the text quickly. What is Shyno?

Solutions for the *shy romantic*



So what do you do if you see the man or woman of your dreams on the street, on the beach, or in a disco, yet you're too shy to approach him or her? A 28-year-old Italian medical student, Simone Giancola, has come up with the perfect solution: the Shyno dating service.

Simone says he had his idea when he saw a beautiful woman on a sailing boat and felt frustrated that he couldn't contact her. "I saw this stunning woman on a boat, simply the most beautiful woman I'd ever seen in my life. The boat had a number, and I thought, 'If only the number of that boat was a telephone number!'"

This experience gave him the idea of using T-shirts with a code saved on a database so that people could contact the object of their desire. The Shyno dating service works like this. First, you buy a T-shirt with a nickname and number printed on it, which form a code – for example, Cayman 232 or Emily 14. The organizers issue you with a membership card bearing a secret password so that you can register online with their website.

Then, when you see the man or woman of your dreams wearing a Shyno T-shirt, you can make a note of the code and send an admiring text or video message to the website. Your message is passed on to him or her with your details and your own cell phone number. If he or she gets in touch with you, then you can take it from there.

The program began after a trial in a night club, when 1,000 free T-shirts were given out. Within a week they had generated 14,000 text messages.

More than 20,000 T-shirts have been sold since Shyno was started in Italy last year, and the program is being advertised on Italian television. The newspaper *La Stampa* called Shyno "the future of the eternal game of seduction." Mr. Giancola expects to have 200,000 customers by the end of this year and a million within three years.

So, what has happened to the stereotypical image of Italian men? Have they lost their macho instincts? Mauro Falcinelli, the program's Rome representative, says that times have changed. "Young women are **wary** of responding to approaches by strangers. Romance has become a risky business."

Shyno is also considering extending the dating program to car license plates. "Think how many times you pull up at a traffic light and exchange glances with an attractive person in the car next to you," Mr. Giancola said. "We Italians sometimes throw across a folded piece of paper with our phone number on it. How much simpler to take a note of the license plate and see if the car is registered on the website."

b Read the text again and mark the sentences T (true) or F (false).

- 1 Simone Giancola founded Shyno when he was in medical school. T
- 2 He got the idea after talking to a beautiful woman on a boat.
- 3 You register your real name on the Shyno website.
- 4 You can send a text message directly to the person you like.
- 5 When they tried the idea in a nightclub, it was successful.
- 6 *La Stampa* doesn't think the website works.
- 7 Shyno is successful because Italian men have become less macho.
- 8 You can also register your car license plate on Shyno.

c Look at the highlighted words. What do you think they mean?

d Match the highlighted words to the correct definition.

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| 1 an informal name used by your family or friends | <u>nickname</u> |
| 2 the noun from the verb <i>try</i> | _____ |
| 3 careful because you are uncertain or afraid | _____ |
| 4 go near somebody | _____ |
| 5 put your name on an official list | _____ |
| 6 think of, invent | _____ |
| 7 very attractive, beautiful | _____ |
| 8 a card that shows you belong to a club or organization | _____ |

e Complete the sentences with the words from d.

- 1 If you want to vote in the elections, you have to register at the Board of Elections.
- 2 My real name is John, but everyone uses my _____, which is "Curly."
- 3 I forgot my _____, so they wouldn't let me use the gym.
- 4 Some people are _____ of using their credit card to buy things on the Internet.
- 5 The police say that the escaped prisoner is dangerous and nobody should _____ him.
- 6 Scientists are trying to _____ a cure for the common cold.
- 7 The view from the top of the mountain is _____!
- 8 There's going to be a _____ of the new computer system before it is used in all stores.