

# QUESTION TAGS

1. Tag questions are used to confirm information we are not sure about. They go at the end of a sentence.
2. To make the tag question we use the auxiliary we would use to make a question with that sentence.
3. The subject in the tag should always be a **SUBJECT PRONOUN**.
4. When the sentence is positive, the tag is negative.
5. When the sentence is negative, the tag is positive.
6. **ATTENTION** if a sentence includes **INDEFINITE PRONOUNS, LET'S, NEGATIVE WORDS, or IMPERATIVES!** See the corresponding box to learn how these sentences work.

Study the boxes below, and then do the exercise.

POSITIVE SENTENCE → NEGATIVE TAG	NEGATIVE SENTENCE → POSITIVE TAG	IRREGULAR TAG QUESTIONS
<p><b>SIMPLE PRESENT</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. I am in this team, <b>AREN'T I?</b></li> <li>2. He is a lawyer, <b>ISN'T HE?</b></li> <li>3. We are all students, <b>AREN'T WE?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>PRESENT CONTINUOUS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. I am doing well, <b>AREN'T I?</b></li> <li>5. Karen is working now, <b>ISN'T SHE?</b></li> <li>6. They are studying now, <b>AREN'T THEY?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>SIMPLE PAST</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. I was right, <b>WASN'T I?</b></li> <li>8. They were at home, <b>WEREN'T THEY?</b></li> <li>9. He participated, <b>DIDN'T HE?</b></li> <li>10. You took the bus, <b>DIDN'T YOU?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>PAST CONTINUOUS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. I was sleeping, <b>WASN'T I?</b></li> <li>12. He was cooking, <b>WASN'T HE?</b></li> <li>13. They were eating, <b>WEREN'T THEY?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>FUTURE</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>14. You will come, <b>WON'T YOU?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>CONDITIONAL</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>15. She would tell me, <b>WOULDN'T SHE?</b></li> </ol>	<p><b>SIMPLE PRESENT</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. I am not in this team, <b>AM I?</b></li> <li>2. He isn't a lawyer, <b>IS HE?</b></li> <li>3. We aren't all students, <b>ARE WE?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>PRESENT CONTINUOUS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. I am not doing well, <b>AM I?</b></li> <li>5. Karen isn't working now, <b>IS SHE?</b></li> <li>6. They aren't studying now, <b>ARE THEY?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>SIMPLE PAST</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. I wasn't right, <b>WAS I?</b></li> <li>8. They weren't at home, <b>WERE THEY?</b></li> <li>9. He didn't participate, <b>DID HE?</b></li> <li>10. You didn't take the bus, <b>DID YOU?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>PAST CONTINUOUS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. I wasn't sleeping, <b>WAS I?</b></li> <li>12. He wasn't cooking, <b>WAS HE?</b></li> <li>13. They weren't eating, <b>WERE THEY?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>FUTURE</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>14. You won't come, <b>WILL YOU?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>CONDITIONAL</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>15. She wouldn't tell me, <b>WOULD SHE?</b></li> </ol>	<p><b>INDEFINITE PRONOUNS</b> <b>SOMEBODY, SOMEONE, EVERYBODY, EVERYONE, NOBODY &amp; NO ONE.</b> When the subject is one of these words, <b>"THEY"</b> is used in the tag question!</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Somebody wanted to speak, <b>DIDN'T THEY?</b></li> <li>2. Everyone will go, <b>WON'T THEY?</b></li> <li>3. Someone is absent, <b>AREN'T THEY?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>LET'S</b> <b>SHALL is the word used in the tag!</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Let's go to a restaurant, <b>SHALL WE?</b></li> <li>5. Let's play soccer, <b>SHALL WE?</b></li> <li>6. Let's work together, <b>SHALL WE?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>IMPERATIVES</b> <b>The tag is always POSITIVE!</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. Close the door, <b>WILL YOU?</b></li> <li>8. Open the window, <b>WILL YOU?</b></li> <li>9. Don't forget your homework, <b>WILL YOU?</b></li> <li>10. Don't scream, <b>WILL YOU?</b></li> </ol>
<p><b>PRESENT PERFECT</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>16. I have passed the exam, <b>HAVEN'T I?</b></li> <li>17. He has arrived, <b>HASN'T HE?</b></li> <li>18. They have finished, <b>HAVEN'T THEY?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>PAST PERFECT</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>19. I had already been here, <b>HADN'T I?</b></li> <li>20. She had already spoken, <b>HADN'T SHE?</b></li> <li>21. We had seen you before, <b>HADN'T WE?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>MODALS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>22. You can speak English, <b>CAN'T YOU?</b></li> <li>23. He could swim, <b>COULDN'T HE?</b></li> <li>24. We should go, <b>SHOULDN'T WE?</b></li> <li>25. They must be here, <b>MUSTN'T THEY?</b></li> </ol>	<p><b>PRESENT PERFECT</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>16. I haven't passed the exam, <b>HAVE I?</b></li> <li>17. He hasn't arrived, <b>HAS HE?</b></li> <li>18. They haven't finished, <b>HAVE THEY?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>PAST PERFECT</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>19. I hadn't been here before, <b>HAD I?</b></li> <li>20. She hadn't spoken yet, <b>HAD SHE?</b></li> <li>21. We hadn't seen you before, <b>HAD WE?</b></li> </ol> <p><b>MODALS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>22. You can't speak English, <b>CAN YOU?</b></li> <li>23. He couldn't swim, <b>COULD HE?</b></li> <li>24. We shouldn't study, <b>SHOULD WE?</b></li> <li>25. They mustn't be here, <b>MUST THEY?</b></li> </ol>	<p><b>NEGATIVE WORDS</b> <b>With NOBODY, NO ONE, NEVER &amp; NOTHING, the tag should be positive!</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. Nobody is absent today, <b>ARE THEY?</b></li> <li>12. No one failed the test, <b>DID THEY?</b></li> <li>13. You have never ridden a horse, <b>HAVE YOU?</b></li> <li>14. Nothing was true, <b>WAS IT?</b></li> </ol>

# SPEAKING WORKSHEET

COMPLETE THE QUESTIONS TAGS – USE THE MICROPHONE.

**POSITIVE SENTENCE → NEGATIVE TAG**

1. He must be in his office, \_\_\_\_\_?
2. They were good friends, \_\_\_\_\_?
3. We are taking the bus, \_\_\_\_\_?
4. I am on time, \_\_\_\_\_?
5. You will join us, \_\_\_\_\_?
6. She could help us, \_\_\_\_\_?
7. My friends told you that, \_\_\_\_\_?
8. You had studied English before, \_\_\_\_\_?
9. He would have invited me, \_\_\_\_\_?
10. We have completed the task, \_\_\_\_\_?

**NEGATIVE SENTENCE → POSITIVE TAG**

1. We can't take the train here, \_\_\_\_\_?
2. You haven't seen my keys, \_\_\_\_\_?
3. I am not your favorite person now, \_\_\_\_\_?
4. They shouldn't be here, \_\_\_\_\_?
5. She won't do it, \_\_\_\_\_?
6. He didn't call you, \_\_\_\_\_?
7. The food hadn't been delivered yet, \_\_\_\_\_?
8. Children mustn't see this movie, \_\_\_\_\_?
9. I don't have to make the copies, \_\_\_\_\_?
10. They weren't laughing at me, \_\_\_\_\_?

**IRREGULAR TAG QUESTIONS**

1. Everyone is having fun, \_\_\_\_\_?
2. Let's go to the movies, \_\_\_\_\_?
3. Nobody called me, \_\_\_\_\_?
4. Prepare the salad, \_\_\_\_\_?
5. Somebody is cleaning the kitchen, \_\_\_\_\_?
6. Let's go for a drink, \_\_\_\_\_?
7. Nothing you told me was serious, \_\_\_\_\_?
8. They had never been to an amusement park, \_\_\_\_\_?
9. Someone is using the phone now, \_\_\_\_\_?
10. Don't make noise, \_\_\_\_\_?

**LISTEN AND ANSWER**

- |    |               |               |                |
|----|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1. | Yes, it has.  | Yes, it does. | Yes, it is.    |
| 2. | No, it isn't. | Yes, it was.  | Yes, it has.   |
| 3. | Yes, they do. | Yes, we are   | Yes, they have |