

Wh-questions part 4 – past simple

a) Which **auxiliary verb** do we use for questions in the past simple?

be have do did does will

b) Which **verb form** need we use in the past simple after the auxiliary?

infinitive gerund -s form past past participle

c) Copy these instructions and examples in your notebook.

How to ask wh-questions in the past simple:

1. Begin your question with a wh-word or phrase that refers to the **unknown information**.
2. Put the **auxiliary verb** in front of the **subject**.

He **wrote** that book **last year**.

When **did** you **write** that book?

Their father **had** lunch at work yesterday.

Where **did** their father **have** lunch yesterday?

REMEMBER: The **main verb HAVE** always needs DID in questions and negative sentences in the past.

3. If the unknown information is the subject, use the same word order as in the affirmative structure (S + V):

Ellen **swam** across the lake three days ago.

Who **swam** across the lake three days ago?

d) Write wh-questions so that the underlined information is the answer.
Use these wh-words:

how, how much, how many, what,
what time, when, where, which, who, why

1. I watched that film last year.
2. They came by train.
3. I closed the window because it was cold.
4. I chose the cheapest T-shirt.
5. I saw three birds in the garden.
6. She put a lot of oil in the salad.
7. You forgot your workbook at the library.
8. Your uncle saw me in church.
9. He woke up at six this morning.
10. She wore a green dress to the party.