

# REPORTED QUESTIONS

| Use and structure of reported questions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | IF/WETHER                                                                                                                                            | DO/DOES/DID questions                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| <p>When we ask for some information we sometimes begin the question with another question . The order changes. Study this example:</p> <p><b>Direct question:</b>           Where <b>is he</b>?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p><b>Indirect:</b> Do you know where <b>he is</b>?</p> | <p>Use <b>if/whether</b> when there's no question word.</p> <p>Example:</p> <p>-Did he see Mary?<br/>-Do you know <b>if/whether</b> he saw Mary?</p> | <p><b>Direct question</b><br/>Where <b>does she work</b>?<br/>Where <b>did he go</b>?</p> <p><b>Indirect question</b><br/>Do you know where <b>she works</b>? (don't use does)<br/>Do you know where <b>he went</b>? (don't use did)</p> |

## Exercise 1 Make indirect questions

Example: Where do they come from? Do you know where they come from?

- 1-What time did Carol arrive? Do you know \_\_\_\_\_?
- 2-Where is the nearest bank? Can you tell me \_\_\_\_\_?
- 3-Did Sally call her sister? Do you know \_\_\_\_\_?
- 4-Can she speak French? Do you think \_\_\_\_\_?
- 5-Does Mandy like fruit? Do you know \_\_\_\_\_?
- 6-Why did Jim go to Italy? Can you tell me \_\_\_\_\_?
- 7-Where is Sandy's car? Do you know \_\_\_\_\_?
- 8-Were they tired last night? Do you think \_\_\_\_\_?
- 9-Has Mike ever been to Paris? Do you think \_\_\_\_\_?
- 10-Do they have a computer? Do you know \_\_\_\_\_?
- 11-When are they coming? Do you know \_\_\_\_\_?
- 12-What did he do last night? Can you tell me \_\_\_\_\_?

## Exercise 2

I met a girl and I asked her a lot of questions.

**Example:** What's your name?

**He asked her what her name was.**

- 1-How old are you?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2-Where do you live?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3-What's your job?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4-Do you like your job?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5-Do you like music?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6-What music do you like?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7-Can you give me your phone number?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8-Will you be here tomorrow?  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Exercise 3 Choose the correct option.

I saw Peter yesterday. I hadn't seen him for ages! I asked **he/him** how **was he/ he was**. He **said/told** he was working in London. He also **said/told** me that he had got married five years ago and had a son. I asked him what **was his name/his name was**. He said his name **were/was** Arthur. I also asked him how old **was he/he was**. He said Arthur was two years old. He also asked me some questions. He asked me **when/ whether** I was working and I told him I was working as a secretary in a town near London. He also asked me if I was married and I **told/said** to him I had a boyfriend but we hadn't talked about getting married yet. It was late and he said he had to go but he asked me **whether/ when** I wanted to meet his family and I agreed so he gave me his phone number.