

1A GRAMMAR word order in questions

a Put the words in order to make the questions.

Personal information

- 1 name / your / 's / what What's your name? Luca.
- 2 year / what / you / born / were
_____? 1983.
- 3 how / you / are / today
_____? Fine, thank you.

Family

- 4 have / and / do / brothers / you / sisters / how / many
_____? Two brothers and one sister.
- 5 with / your / do / family / you / live
_____? No, I live alone.
- 6 your / what / do / parents / do
_____? My mum's an engineer and my dad's a teacher.

English

- 7 English / why / are / learning / you
_____? Because I need it for my job.
- 8 learning / English / did / when / start / you
_____? When I was 12 years old.
- 9 speak / your / anyone / in / English / can / family
_____? Yes, my brother speaks English really well.

Free time

- 10 do / of / what / kind / like / films / you
_____? I love action films.
- 11 do / out / go / how / dinner / you / often / for
_____? Once or twice a month.
- 12 a / the / book / reading / are / at / moment / you
_____? Yes, I'm reading some short stories in English.

Past time

- 13 your / go / holiday / did / last / where / you / for
_____? I went to Thailand.
- 14 do / did / you / any / yesterday / sport
_____? Yes, I went swimming.
- 15 last / you / were / where / night / ten o'clock / at
_____? I was at my friend's house.

b Cover the questions and look at the answers. Can you remember the questions?

ACTIVATION

Work with a partner. Ask and answer the questions.

1B GRAMMAR present simple

Complete the conversations with the present simple form of the verbs in brackets.



- 1 A Your dog is a bit overweight. (be)
B Yes, he eats too much food! (eat)
- 2 A How often _____ your grandparents? (you / see)
B I usually _____ them twice a year. (visit)
- 3 A _____ here in winter? (it / snow)
B No, but it _____ a lot. (rain)
- 4 A What _____? (Sam's new girlfriend / look like)
B She _____ long blonde hair and big dark brown eyes. (have)
- 5 A How often _____ to the gym? (you / go)
B Hardly ever! I _____ doing exercise. (not like)
- 6 A _____ your husband a vegetarian? (be)
B No, but he _____ much meat. (not eat)
- 7 A What time _____? (your Italian class / finish)
B It _____ at seven o'clock. (finish)
- 8 A Your daughter _____ very shy. (look)
B Yes, she _____ much. (not talk)
- 9 A What _____? (your English teacher / be like)
B She _____ really kind and funny. (be)
- 10 A _____ your English homework? (you / always do)
B No, I sometimes _____! (forget)
- 11 A We _____ very well with our neighbours. (not get on)
B Why not? _____ a lot of noise? (they / make)
- 12 A What time _____? (the supermarket / open)
B I _____. Look online. (not know)

ACTIVATION

Write three sentences about what you do at the weekend, and three sentences about what a person in your family does. Use adverbs or expressions of frequency.

1C GRAMMAR present simple or present continuous?

- Complete the conversations with the present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 A Why ¹are you taking (take) a photo of your guitar?
 B I ²_____ (want) to sell it on eBay.
 A Why? I ³_____ (not understand).
 You ⁴_____ (play) your guitar every day!
 You ⁵_____ (love) it!
 B I ⁶_____ (sell) my old one because
 I ⁷_____ (want) to buy a new one.
 A Oh, OK.



- 2 A Hi. ⁸_____ you _____ (need) any help?
 B No, thanks. I ⁹_____ (just look).
 A ¹⁰_____ you _____ (look) for anything in particular?
 B Yes, I ¹¹_____ (think) of getting a jacket.
 A This is one of our best-sellers. It's real leather. I ¹²_____ (have) it, and I ¹³_____ (wear) it all the time.
 B Yes, it's lovely. Where can I try it on?



- 3 A You ¹⁴_____ (read) a book about modern art! I ¹⁵_____ (not believe) it!
 You ¹⁶_____ (hate) modern art!
 B I know. But now I ¹⁷_____ (need) to learn about it.
 A Why?
 B Because my girlfriend ¹⁸_____ (study) it at college this year, and she loves it.
 A What's that picture on the left? Can I see it?
 B It's a woman, and I think she ¹⁹_____ (walk) in a garden...I don't really know.
 A Let me see...No, she ²⁰_____ (not walk). She ²¹_____ (fly).
 B Oh, yes!



ACTIVATION

Practise the conversations with a partner.

2A GRAMMAR past simple: regular and irregular verbs

● Complete the conversations with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1
- A Is this your first time in the UK, Anna?
- B No, I ¹ *had* (have) a holiday in Scotland last year.
- A Really? I love Scotland! Where ² _____ you _____ (stay)?
- B We ³ _____ (stay) in Edinburgh. We ⁴ _____ (book) a hotel online, but unfortunately when we ⁵ _____ (arrive) we ⁶ _____ (not like) it. So we ⁷ _____ (leave) that hotel and ⁸ _____ (rent) an apartment. It was great! What about you? When ⁹ _____ (be) you in Scotland?
- A Oh, a long time ago. I ¹⁰ _____ (start) a university course there. I ¹¹ _____ (not finish) the course, but I ¹² _____ (love) Scotland!



- 2
- A Hi, Oliver. Welcome home! How ¹³ _____ (be) your flight?
- B Hi, Mum. It ¹⁴ _____ (not be) bad. I ¹⁵ _____ (not sleep) much, but I ¹⁶ _____ (watch) some good films.
- A And ¹⁷ _____ you _____ (like) New Zealand?
- B Yes! It ¹⁸ _____ (be) fantastic. I ¹⁹ _____ (have) a great time. It's a really beautiful country and I ²⁰ _____ (meet) some amazing people. I ²¹ _____ (not want) to come home!
- A ²² _____ you _____ (take) many photos?
- B Yes, I ²³ _____ (take) a lot. I can show you when we get home.



- 3
- A Ruth! You're back! ²⁴ _____ you _____ (have) a good holiday?
- B No. It ²⁵ _____ (be) awful.
- A Why? What happened?
- B We ²⁶ _____ (stay) in a horrible apartment, and Tom ²⁷ _____ (think) the city was dangerous at night, so we ²⁸ _____ (not go) out much in the evening.
- A What ²⁹ _____ you _____ (do) during the day?
- B ³⁰ _____ you _____ (go) sightseeing?
- A Yes, we ³¹ _____ (visit) all the famous places. But we ³² _____ (argue) a lot. Tom ³³ _____ (buy) very expensive souvenirs for all his family! I ³⁴ _____ (not buy) anything.



ACTIVATION

Test your memory. Cover the conversations and look at the pictures. Try to remember what happened to Anna, Oliver, and Ruth and Tom.

2B GRAMMAR past continuous

- a Look at the pictures and complete the sentences with the past simple and past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.



- 1 I was sleeping when you sent me the message. (sleep, send)
- 2 Susan _____ around Italy when she _____ her boyfriend. (travel, meet)
- 3 We _____ some old photos when we _____ the house. (find, clean)
- 4 They _____ for the bus when they _____ the accident. (wait, see)
- 5 It _____ to rain when they _____ to school. (start, cycle)
- 6 A dog _____ into the road when I _____ home. (run, drive)

- b Complete the story with the past simple or past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.



Last summer, I ¹ was living (live) in Hawaii. One Saturday morning, I ² _____ (wake up) early, and it ³ _____ (be) a beautiful day. The sun ⁴ _____ (shine), and I ⁵ _____ (feel) really happy. I ⁶ _____ (not need) to go to work that day, so I ⁷ _____ (decide) to go surfing. Most of my friends ⁸ _____ (work) and my girlfriend ⁹ _____ (visit) her parents, so I ¹⁰ _____ (go) to the beach alone. When I ¹¹ _____ (arrive), the beach ¹² _____ (be) already crowded. A lot of people ¹³ _____ (sunbathe), children

¹⁴ _____ (play) games and people ¹⁵ _____ (swim) in the sea. Everyone ¹⁶ _____ (enjoy) the lovely summer day. I ¹⁷ _____ (put) my things down on the beach, and then I ¹⁸ _____ (begin) walking to the sea with my surfboard. Suddenly, a man ¹⁹ _____ (shout), 'Shark! Shark! Get out of the water!' At first, I ²⁰ _____ (not can) see anything, but then I ²¹ _____ (see) a big shark. Luckily, it ²² _____ (not attack) anyone and ²³ _____ (swim) away quickly. I ²⁴ _____ (not stay) at the beach after that, and I ²⁵ _____ (go) home without going surfing!

ACTIVATION

Test your memory. Cover the sentences in a and look at the pictures. Try to remember the sentences.