

● Language spot

Question forms

- We change the word order to form a question with *be*, with tenses that are formed with *be* and *have*, and with modal verbs such as *can*, *will*, *should*, etc.

Are you all right? (NOT You are all right?)

What is she doing?

Where have they put that wheelchair?

Can you move your toes?

- We use the verb *do* to make questions with the Present and Past Simple.

What side effects does this drug have?

Did you take your medication last night?

- If *what*, *who*, etc. asks about the **subject** of the verb, *do* is not necessary.

What happened? (not What did happen?)

Who said that? (not Who did say that?)

- We often use question tags to check information, to express surprise, to be friendly, etc.

This is your first time on this ward, isn't it?

You don't eat meat, do you?

- We sometimes leave out the verb, if it is easily understood.

Any pain? (= Do you have any pain?)

Comfortable? (= Are you comfortable?)

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1 Match the beginnings of the questions with the endings.

1 OK,	a it hurt?
2 What	b Mrs Hales?
3 Where does	c are you?
4 What about	d broken?
5 Let's have a look – swollen,	e happened to you?
6 You've had an x-ray,	f haven't you?
7 Anything	g your shoulder?
8 You aren't on any other medication,	h isn't it!

4 Write questions to go with these answers.



Nurse _____

Patient Not bad, thanks – a bit sore.

Nurse _____

Patient I fell off my bike.

Nurse _____

Patient Here, around my wrist.

Nurse _____

Patient Yes, I can, slowly.

Nurse _____

Patient Yes, *very*! I've also got a cut on my leg – look.

Nurse _____

Patient Yes, it *is* deep. Will I need stitches?

Nurse _____

Patient No, never – and I don't want any!

Nurse _____

Patient No, I haven't seen him yet.