Grammar

Question tags

Asking questions to check information

1 Look at the chart.

Question tags with *be*	
Affirmative statement + negative tag	**Negative statement + affirmative tag**
It**'s** about my fears, **isn't** it?	It **isn't** predicting the future, **is** it?
My friends **are** laughing at me, **aren't** they?	There **weren't** any snakes in the dream, **were** there?

Take note!

I'm late, aren't I?

2 Match the sentences with the correct question tag.

1 This dream isn't about my family, _b_
2 Flying is common in dreams, ___
3 Our dreams are like secret messages, ___
4 You weren't dreaming, ___
5 We're going to write about our dreams, ___
6 I'm going to have nightmares, ___

a aren't they?
b is it?
c aren't I?
d isn't it?
e aren't we?
f were you?

3 Look at the chart.

Question tags with *do*	
Affirmative statement + negative tag	**Negative statement + affirmative tag**
You **sleepwalk, don't** you?	We **didn't** eat anything, **did** we?
Most people **have** nightmares sometimes, **don't** they?	We **don't have** anywhere to go, **do** we?

4 Complete the sentences with question tags with *do* in the affirmative or negative.

1 Most of us forget a lot of our dreams, _don't we_ ?
2 Inventors sometimes get ideas from surprising places, _____ ?
3 You didn't understand the dream, _____ ?
4 A nightmare doesn't predict the future, _____ ?
5 It takes imagination to write a good song, _____ ?
6 We didn't have time for lunch, _____ ?

5 Write the correct question tags. Use *be* or *do* in the affirmative or negative.

1 *Yesterday* is a song by Paul McCartney, _isn't it_ ?
   Yes, it is.
2 Sleep walking isn't unusual for children, _____ ?
   No, it isn't.
3 Sewing machines weren't very popular when you were a child, _____ ?
   Yes, they were. My mom had one.
4 Coffee doesn't keep you awake at night, _____ ?
   It can. Drinking coffee in the evening can keep you awake.
5 The students didn't yawn during your class, _____ ?
   No, they didn't.