

EMPHATIC STRUCTURES

Section A: Splitting for Emphasis (Cleft Sentences) Standard Sentence: "Most people go to Greece in summer." Emphatic Sentence: "It's in summer that most people go to Greece."

1. Do both sentences mean roughly the same thing regarding when people go to Greece? (Yes / No)
2. In the emphatic sentence, what specific part of the sentence is placed right after "It's" to draw maximum attention? _____
3. Look at: "I most want to see Mexico City. -> It's Mexico City that I most want to see." What element is being emphasized here? (Subject / Object / Adverbial phrase)

-> DISCOVERY RULE 1: We use "It + be + [emphasized part] + that/who" to split a sentence and highlight a specific piece of information. The basic meaning stays the same, but the _____ changes.

Section B: Emphatic Auxiliary Verbs Standard Sentence: "We hope you enjoy your stay with us." Emphatic Sentence: "We do hope you enjoy your stay with us."

1. Does adding "do" change the primary tense or basic time of the sentence? (Yes / No)
2. According to the text, what do we always do to the word "do" when speaking? (Whisper it / Stress it / Drop it)
3. Can we add "do" to a sentence that already has an auxiliary verb like "be" or "have" (e.g., "We have enjoyed our trip")? (Yes / No)

-> DISCOVERY RULE 2: To add emphasis to an affirmative sentence with a normal verb, we insert an emphasized form of _____ (do/does/did) before the main verb. If an auxiliary or modal verb is already present, we simply stress _____.

PART 2: CONCEPT CHECKING QUESTIONS (CCQs)

Task 1: Cleft Sentences Focus Context: Speaker says, "It's Mexico City that I most want to see."

- CCQ 1: Do I want to see Mexico City? (Yes / No)
- CCQ 2: Am I hiding this preference, or am I drawing special attention to the destination? (Hiding it / Drawing special attention)
- CCQ 3: Does "It's Mexico City that..." change the objective fact that Mexico City is the desired place? (Yes / No)

Task 2: Emphatic "Do" Focus Context: Speaker says, "We do hope you enjoy your stay."

- CCQ 1: Do they hope you enjoy your stay? (Yes / No)
- CCQ 2: Is this neutral, or does it sound more earnest, strong, or emphatic? (Neutral / More earnest and emphatic)
- CCQ 3: Can I say "We do are happy"? Why or why not?