

# Question Formation

There are two basic types of questions in English.

## 1. 'Wh' questions ask for specific information and start with a question word.

*What Which When Where Whereabouts Why Whose How*

The most common question structure is: **[Question word + Auxiliary Verb + Object or Main Verb.]**

'Wh' questions usually have a FALLING INTONATION.

Put in **What, Where, Why, When, How** into the gaps and form meaningful questions.

- 1)..... do you like best?
- 2)..... does Bill get up in the morning?
- 3)..... don't you go by bus, Max?
- 4)..... hobbies does Andrew have?
- 5)..... do they go to every week?
- 6)..... old is Mike?
- 7)..... is Susan's birthday?
- 8)..... are my exercise books?
- 9)..... are you doing at the moment, Sally?
- 10)..... do the Robinsons live?

## 2. 'Yes/No' questions ask for a positive or negative answer.

They normally start with an AUXILIARY or MODAL verb and are followed by

**[SUBJECT + (VERB) + OBJECT]**

'Yes/no' questions normally have a RISING INTONATION.

Form questions from the given words or phrases. Choose the correct answer.

- 1) this apple your is .....?

**YES, IT IS**

**YES, IT DOES**

- 2) happy are you .....?

**YES, I AM**

**YES, SHE IS**

3) name your is Josephine .....?

**NO, IT ISN'T**

**NO, IT HAVEN'T**

4) comics are the old .....?

**YES, THEY ARE**

**YES, THEY DO**

5) Charlie class your is in .....?

**NO, HE AREN'T**

**NO, HE ISN'T**

6) sandwich box is your blue .....?

**NO, THEY AREN'T**

**NO, IT ISN'T**

7) German they are .....?

**YES, HE IS**

**YES, THEY ARE**

8) is chair the red .....?

**YES, IT DOES**

**YES, IT IS**

9) am I late .....?

**NO, YOU AREN'T**

**NO, I AM NOT**

10) the kids clever are .....?

**YES, SHE IS**

**YES, THEY ARE**