

Who is she talking to? What is it like?  
(questions 3)

A



Julia is talking to somebody.

**Who** is she talking **to**?

In questions beginning **Who** ... ? / **What** ... ? / **Where** ... ? / **Which** ... ?, prepositions (to/from/with, etc.) usually go at the end:

- Where** are you **from**? "I'm from Thailand."
- "Jack was afraid." **What** was he afraid **of**?"
- Who** do these books belong **to**?" "They're mine."
- "Tom's father is in the hospital." **Which hospital** is he **in**?"
- "Kate is going on vacation." **Who with?** / **Who** is she going **with**?"
- "Can we talk?" "Sure. **What** do you want to talk **about**?"

B

What's it like? / What are they like?, etc.

What's it like? = What **is** it like?

**What's it like?** = tell me something about it – is it good or bad, big or small, old or new, etc.?

When we say "**What is it like?**", **like** is a *preposition*. It is not the verb **like** (**Do** you **like** your new house?, etc.).

- A: There's a new restaurant near my house.  
B: **What's** it **like**? Is it good?  
A: I don't know. I haven't eaten there yet.
- A: **What's** your new teacher **like**?  
B: She's very good. We learn a lot.
- A: I met Nicole's parents yesterday.  
B: You did? **What** are they **like**?  
A: They're very nice.
- A: Did you have a good vacation? **What** was the weather **like**?  
B: It was great. It was sunny every day.

## Exercises

44.1 You want the missing information (XXXXXX). Write questions with **who** or **what**.

- 1 The letter is from XXXXX.
- 2 I'm looking for a XXXXX.
- 3 I went to the movies with XXXXX.
- 4 The movie was about XXXXX.
- 5 I gave the money to XXXXX.
- 6 The book was written by XXXXX.

Who is the letter from?

What ..... you

44.2 Write questions about the people in the pictures. Use these verbs + a preposition:

go      listen      look      ~~talk~~      talk      wait



1 Who is she talking to? 4 What ...  
2 What ..... they ..... 5 What .....  
3 Which restaurant ..... 6 Which bus .....

### 44.3 Write questions with **Which ... ?**

- 1 Tom's father is in the hospital.
- 2 We stayed at a hotel.
- 3 Jack plays for a football team.
- 4 I went to school in this town.

Which hospital is he in?

, you

44.4 You want some information about another country. You ask somebody who has been there.

Ask questions with **What is/are ... like?**

1 (the roads) ..... **What are the roads like?**  
2 (the food) .....  
3 (the people) .....  
4 (the weather) .....

#### 44.5 Ask questions with **What was/were . . . like?**

- 1 Your friend just came back from a trip. Ask about the weather.  
What was the weather like?
- 2 Your friend just came back from the movies. Ask about the movie.
- 3 Your friend just finished a computer course. Ask about the classes.
- 4 Your friend just came back from a business trip. Ask about the hotel.