

# 17 Simple questions

To form simple questions with the verb "to be," you change the order of the subject and verb. The answer to a simple question usually starts with "yes" or "no."

- ⚙️ **New language** Simple questions
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- 🧩 **New skill** Asking simple questions

## 17.1 KEY LANGUAGE QUESTIONS WITH "TO BE"

To make a question using the verb "to be," put the verb before the subject.

In a statement, the subject comes before the verb.

**You are** Canadian.



**Are you** Canadian?

In a question, the verb moves to the start of the sentence.

The subject comes after the verb.



## 17.2 FURTHER EXAMPLES QUESTIONS WITH "TO BE"

**Is Judi** an actor?



**Are they** engineers?



**Is he** French?



**Are you** a student?



## 17.3 HOW TO FORM QUESTIONS WITH "TO BE"

"TO BE"	SUBJECT	REST OF SENTENCE
Am	I	Canadian?
Are	you / we / they	
Is	he / she / it	



## 17.4 REWRITE THE SENTENCES AS QUESTIONS

She is a gardener.

Is she a gardener?

1 Brad is a nurse.

2 These are my keys.

4 This is his laptop.

3 Ruby and Farid are actors.

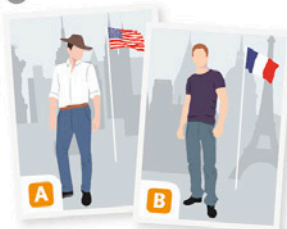
5 Valeria is his sister.



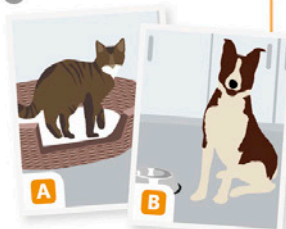
## 17.5 LISTEN TO THE AUDIO AND CIRCLE THE CORRECT ANSWER TO EACH QUESTION



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## 17.6 INTONATION SIMPLE QUESTIONS

The tone of the voice usually rises at the end of a simple question in English.

Sue is an actor.

The tone falls at the end of statements.

Is Sue an actor?

The tone goes up at the end of questions.



## 17.7 SAY THESE SENTENCES OUT LOUD, FILLING IN THE GAPS

Is she a waitress?

1                      Holly your mother?

2                      they from Argentina?

3                      you a teacher?

4                      this your dog?

5                      there a post office?

## 17.8 KEY LANGUAGE QUESTIONS WITH "DO" AND "DOES"

For questions without the verb "to be," start the question with "do" or "does."

**You work in an office.**

**Do you work in an office?**

Add "do" to questions with "I," "you," "we," and "they."

**She works in a school.**

**Does she work in a school?**

Add "does" to questions with "he," "she," and "it."

The main verb is in its base form (the infinitive without "to").



## 17.9 FURTHER EXAMPLES QUESTIONS WITH "DO" AND "DOES"



**Do they live in Paris?**



**Does Tom get up at 6am?**



**Do you finish work at 4pm today?**



**Does the party start at 7pm?**



## 17.10 HOW TO FORM QUESTIONS WITH "DO" AND "DOES"

"DO" / "DOES"	SUBJECT	BASE FORM OF VERB	REST OF SENTENCE
Do	I / you / we / they	work	in an office?
Does	he / she / it		



## 17.11 FILL IN THE GAPS IN THE QUESTIONS USING "DO" OR "DOES"



Does she play tennis on Tuesdays?

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\_\_\_\_\_ we finish work at 6pm today?

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\_\_\_\_\_ you get up at 7am?

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\_\_\_\_\_ the parrot talk all day?

2



\_\_\_\_\_ they live at number 59?

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\_\_\_\_\_ you work in a lab?





## 17.12 REWRITE THE QUESTIONS, PUTTING THE WORDS IN THE CORRECT ORDER

go swimming Jin Does on Fridays?

*Does Jin go swimming on Fridays?*

1 in New York? live you Do

2 on a farm? Does work she

3 get up he Does at 5am every day?

4 come Peru? they Do from

5 work Brad Does in the post office?



## 17.13 REWRITE THE SENTENCES AS QUESTIONS

Kim goes to work at 8am.

*Does Kim go to work at 8am?*



1 They live in New York City.



2 He works in a restaurant.



3 Lewis goes swimming on Fridays.



4 Marisha works with animals.



## 17.14 SAY THE SENTENCES OUT LOUD, FILLING IN THE GAPS

*Do* you play soccer on Fridays?



1 she go swimming on Tuesdays?



2 you read the paper on Sundays?



3 she work with animals?



4 they work on a construction site?



## 17 CHECKLIST



Simple questions ☐

Aa Jobs and routine activities ☐



Asking simple questions ☐