19 Asking questions

Use question words such as "what," "who," "when," and "where" to ask open questions that can't be answered with "yes" or "no."

⚙ **New language** Open questions
Aa Vocabulary Question words
🧩 **New skill** Asking for details

19.1 KEY LANGUAGE OPEN QUESTIONS WITH THE VERB "TO BE"

The question word goes at the beginning of the question. It is usually followed by the verb "to be."

My name is Sarah.
What is your name?

The question word goes at the beginning.

The question is "open" because it can't be answered "yes" or "no."

19.2 FURTHER EXAMPLES OPEN QUESTIONS WITH THE VERB "TO BE"

What is Ruby's job?

What is the time?

What is in the bag?

What are we here for?

What is this thing?

What are Elliot's sisters called?

19.3 CROSS OUT THE INCORRECT WORDS IN EACH SENTENCE

What **is** / ~~are~~ / ~~am~~ the capital of France?

1. What **is** / **are** / **am** their names?

2. What **is** / **are** / **am** the time?

3. What **is** / **are** / **am** my favorite colors?

4. What **is** / **are** / **am** the hotel next to?

5. What **is** / **are** / **am** they?

6. What **is** / **are** / **am** your uncle's name?

7. What **is** / **are** / **am** my name?

19.4 VOCABULARY
QUESTION WORDS

Where

Who

When

Which

Why

How

Aa 19.6 MATCH THE QUESTIONS TO THE CORRECT ANSWERS

Where is the bank?

July 23.

1 What is the time?

The red Ferrari.

2 When is your birthday?

I'm 25.

3 Which is your car?

It's over there.

4 Why are you here?

It's 5 o'clock.

5 How old are you?

It's me, Marcus.

6 Who is there?

For a meeting.

19.5 FURTHER EXAMPLES
QUESTION WORDS

Where is the café?

Who is Jo's teacher?

When is dinner?

Which is your car?

Why am I here?

How are you?

19.7 FILL IN THE GAPS USING THE WORDS IN THE PANEL

_____*What*_____ is your name?

1 _____ are your parents from?

2 _____ old are you?

3 _____ is breakfast?

4 _____ is your friend talking to?

5 _____ is it cold in here?

6 _____ person is your teacher?

What   Where   Who   When
Which   Why   How

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19.8 KEY LANGUAGE OPEN QUESTIONS USING "DO" AND "DOES"

With most verbs other than "to be" you use the question word followed by "do" or "does" to make a question.

"Do" or "does" follows the question word.

When do you eat lunch?

The question word goes at the beginning.

Main verb changes to its base form.

19.9 HOW TO FORM OPEN QUESTIONS USING "DO" AND "DOES"

QUESTION WORD	"DO / DOES"	SUBJECT	VERB + OBJECT
When	do	I / you / we / they	eat lunch?
	does	he / she / it	

19.10 FURTHER EXAMPLES OPEN QUESTIONS USING "DO" AND "DOES"

Where **do** you go swimming?

When **does** he finish work?

What **does** she do on the weekend?

Which car **do** you drive to work?

19.11 FILL IN THE GAPS TO COMPLETE THE QUESTIONS

When _____*do*_____ they start work?

❶ When _____ she eat lunch?

❷ Where _____ they live?

❸ Which bag _____ you want?

❹ Where _____ he come from?

❺ When _____ the movie end?

19.12 REWRITE THE SENTENCES, PUTTING THE WORDS IN THE CORRECT ORDER

eat | do | When | breakfast? | you

When do you eat breakfast?

1. does | play | he | football? | Where

_____

2. you | When | clean | do | car? | the

_____

3. the | start? | What | party | does | time

_____

4. tennis? | Which | do | days | play | you

_____

19.13 LISTEN TO THE AUDIO AND MARK THE QUESTIONS YOU HEAR

Ben talks about his life as a student.

When do you eat dinner? ☐
Where do you eat dinner? ☑

1. When do you eat breakfast? ☐
   What do you eat for breakfast? ☐

2. What do you study? ☐
   How do you study? ☐

3. When do you work? ☐
   Where do you work? ☐

4. Who is she? ☐
   Where is she? ☐

19.14 SAY THE QUESTIONS OUT LOUD, FILLING IN THE GAPS USING THE WORDS IN THE PANEL

____*What*____ do you do for a living?

1. _____ do you work in the city?

2. _____ do you start work?

3. _____ time does it open?

4. _____ many people do you work with?

5. _____ do you work with?

| When | How | ~~What~~ | What | Where | Who |

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19.15 READ THE EMAIL AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

Which village is Bernadette in?
Torremolinos ☐
Mijas ☑

1 Who is Bernadette on vacation with?
Her brother ☐
Her sister ☐

2 How many swimming pools does the hotel have?
Two ☐
Three ☐

3 What time does Bernadette get up?
At 7am ☐
At 7:30am ☐

4 What does Bernadette do in the morning?
Goes to the gym ☐
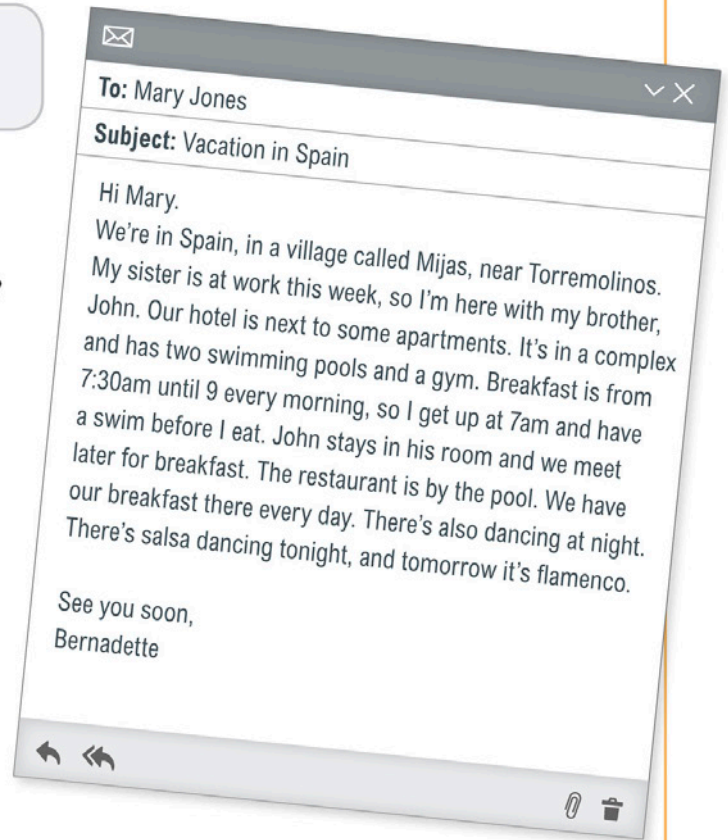Goes swimming ☐

5 Where does Bernadette have breakfast?
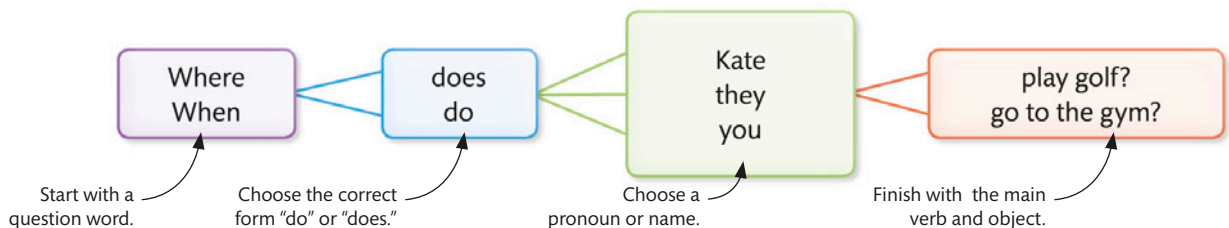In her room ☐
By the pool ☐

6 When is the flamenco dancing?
Tonight ☐
Tomorrow ☐

To: Mary Jones
Subject: Vacation in Spain

Hi Mary.
We're in Spain, in a village called Mijas, near Torremolinos. My sister is at work this week, so I'm here with my brother, John. Our hotel is next to some apartments. It's in a complex and has two swimming pools and a gym. Breakfast is from 7:30am until 9 every morning, so I get up at 7am and have a swim before I eat. John stays in his room and we meet later for breakfast. The restaurant is by the pool. We have our breakfast there every day. There's also dancing at night. There's salsa dancing tonight, and tomorrow it's flamenco.

See you soon,
Bernadette

19.16 USE THE CHART TO CREATE 12 CORRECT SENTENCES AND SAY THEM OUT LOUD

Where does Kate play golf?

| Where / When | does / do | Kate / they / you | play golf? / go to the gym? |

Start with a question word.

Choose the correct form "do" or "does."

Choose a pronoun or name.

Finish with the main verb and object.

19.17 REWRITE THE SENTENCES, CORRECTING THE ERRORS

Where **are** my laptop?
Where is my laptop?

❶ How often **does** they play tennis?
_____

❷ Which office **do** he work in?
_____

❸ Where **are** the party?
_____

❹ What **does** you do?
_____

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19.18 FILL IN THE GAPS TO COMPLETE THE QUESTIONS

When *does Russell go to the gym?*
Russell goes to the gym on Tuesdays.

❶ What _____ ?
Her cat is called Ginger.

❷ Who _____ ?
My English teacher is Mrs. Price.

❸ Where _____ ?
Ben works in a hospital.

❹ How _____ ?
My grandmother is fine, thanks.

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19 ✔ CHECKLIST

⚙ Open questions ☐   **Aa** Question words ☐   🧩 Asking for details ☐

🔄 REVIEW THE ENGLISH YOU HAVE LEARNED IN UNITS 15-19

NEW LANGUAGE	SAMPLE SENTENCE	☑	UNIT
NEGATIVES WITH "TO BE"	I am a farmer. I am not a doctor. You're not a doctor. You aren't a doctor.	☐	15.1, 15.3, 15.7
PRESENT SIMPLE NEGATIVE	He does not work inside. He works outside. I work outside. I do not work inside.	☐	16.1, 16.3, 16.6
SIMPLE QUESTIONS	Are you Canadian? Do you work in an office? Does she work in a school?	☐	17.1, 17.8
SHORT ANSWERS	Are you a doctor? Yes, I am. Do you work in an office? No, I don't.	☐	18.1, 18.2
OPEN QUESTIONS WITH "TO BE"	My name is Sarah. What is your name?	☐	19.1, 19.2
OPEN QUESTIONS USING "DO" AND "DOES"	When do you eat lunch? When does she eat lunch?	☐	19.8, 19.9