



ASKING QUESTIONS IN ENGLISH – QUESTION FORMS

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Exercise 1

Choose the correct forms to complete the questions below.

You have completed this test.

Correct answers: 10/10.

Your score is 100%.

Check your answers:

1 How often **do you go** ✓ to the dentist?

⇒ The order in an English question is **QWASM**: **Question word** (How often), **Auxiliary** (do), **Subject** (you), **Main verb** (go).



2 How many brothers and sisters **have you got** ?

- ⇒ The order in an English question is **QWASM**: **Question word** (How many...), **Auxiliary** (have), **Subject** (you), **Main verb** (got).
- ⇒ When the verb **have** means 'own/possess', it is not an auxiliary verb. The verb **have** is an auxiliary verb when it goes with **got**.
- ⇒ We can say: **do you have** or **have you got**.

3 What time **can you** pick me up?

- ⇒ **Can** is an auxiliary verb.
- ⇒ The order in an English question is **QWASM**: **Question word** (What time), **Auxiliary** (can), **Subject** (you), **Main verb** (pick).

4 Where **was Tim** last night?

- ⇒ **Be** is an auxiliary verb. We do not use **do** in questions and negatives with **be**.
- ⇒ When **be** is the main verb, it is used as the **Auxiliary** verb in the question, and then we don't have a **Main verb** after the Subject.
- ⇒ Then the order is **QWAS**: **Question word** (Where), **Auxiliary** (was), **Subject** (Tim)

5 **Did you see** John this morning?

- ⇒ The order in an English question is **QWASM**: **Question word**, **Auxiliary** (Did), **Subject** (you), **Main verb** (see).



6 Why **did you put** ✓ that box there?

⇒ The order in an English question is **QWASM: Question word** (Why), **Auxiliary** (did), **Subject** (you), **Main verb** (put).

7 What **are you doing** ✓ with the scissors?

⇒ **Be** is an auxiliary verb. We do not use **do** in questions and negatives with **be**.

⇒ The order in an English question is **QWASM: Question word** (What), **Auxiliary** (are), **Subject** (you), **Main verb** (doing).

8 When **will she make** ✓ a decision?

⇒ **Will** is a modal verb, and **all modal verbs are auxiliary verbs**.

⇒ The order in an English question is **QWASM: Question word** (When), **Auxiliary** (will), **Subject** (she), **Main verb** (make).

9 What time **should I call** ✓ you tomorrow?

⇒ **Should** is a modal verb, and **all modal verbs are auxiliary verbs**.

⇒ The order in an English question is **QWASM: Question word** (What time), **Auxiliary** (should), **Subject** (I), **Main verb** (call).