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## 7A word order in questions

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### Questions with *be*

Question	Verb	Subject		
	<b>Are</b>	<b>they</b>	American?	No, they're Canadian.
	<b>Is</b>	<b>this</b>	your coat?	Yes, it is. Thank you!
<b>How old</b>	<b>are</b>	<b>you?</b>		I'm 28.
<b>What time</b>	<b>is</b>	<b>it?</b>		It's about 2:30.

### Questions with *speak, live, etc.*

Question	Auxiliary	Subject	Base form of verb	
	<b>Do</b>	<b>you</b>	<b>speak</b> English?	Yes, I do.
	<b>Does</b>	<b>she</b>	<b>speak</b> Spanish?	No, she doesn't.
<b>Where</b>	<b>do</b>	<b>you</b>	<b>live?</b>	In a city in Argentina.
<b>What</b>	<b>does</b>	<b>your sister</b>	<b>do?</b>	She's a nurse.
<b>What music</b>	<b>do</b>	<b>you</b>	<b>like?</b>	I like Brazilian music.
<b>When</b>	<b>does</b>	<b>Jane</b>	<b>go to the gym?</b>	At 6:00 in the morning.
<b>How</b>	<b>do</b>	<b>you</b>	<b>spell</b> your last name?	S-I-L-V-A.

- Word order:
  - + Subject, verb **It's** summer in Peru.
  - ? Verb, subject **Is it** summer in Peru?
  - ? Question, verb, subject **When is it** summer in Peru?

- Word order:
  - + Subject, verb **You go** to the gym.
  - ? Auxiliary, subject, base form **Do you go** to the gym?
  - ? Question, auxiliary, subject, base form **When do you go** to the gym?
- In simple present ?, *do* / *does* is an auxiliary verb, not a normal verb.
 

*What time **do** you **start** work?*

auxiliary verb      normal verb
- Use *do* for *I, you, we, and they*. Use *does* for *he, she, and it*.
 

*What time **do** Tim and Liz get up?* NOT *What time does Tim and Liz get up?*

*Where **does** Jason work?* NOT *Where do Jason work?*
- Use the base form of the verb for all subjects (*I, you, he, she, it, we, they*).
 

*What music does **she** like?* NOT *What music does she likes?*



#### Questions with *do* vs. questions with *be*

Do not use *be* in simple present ? with *speak, live, etc.*

*Do you **like** Spanish food?* NOT *Are you like Spanish food?*

*Where do they **study** English?* NOT *Where are they study English?*

Do not use the auxiliary *do* in questions with *be*.

*Where are you from?* NOT *Where do you from?*

*Are you American?* NOT *Do you American?*