

Present Simple Tense (Interrogative)

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Exercise 1 – Learning

Yes-no questions

You may remember how to form yes-no questions with the verb 'be':

We switch the verb and the subject.

"You are Japanese." becomes "Are you Japanese?"

To form yes-no questions with verbs other than 'be', put the helping verb 'do' at the beginning of the sentence.

- I know you. \rightarrow **Do** I know you?
- You live here. \rightarrow **Do** you live here?
- We eat dinner late. \rightarrow **Do** we eat dinner late?
- They speak Italian. \rightarrow **Do** they speak Italian?

To respond 'yes' to these questions, say: "Yes, I/you/we/they do."

To respond 'no' to these questions, say: "No, I/you/we/they don't."



For the third person singular (he, she, it), the helping verb 'do' becomes 'does' to agree with the subject. Put 'does' at the beginning of the sentence and use the main verb in its basic (without -s) form:

- He *knows* French. \rightarrow **Does** he *know* French?
- She *eats* meat. \rightarrow **Does** she *eat* meat?
- It often *rains* here. \rightarrow **Does** it often *rain* here?

To respond 'yes' to these questions, say: "Yes, he/she/it does."

To respond 'no' to these questions, say: "No, he/she/it doesn't."



Exercise 2 – Multiple Choice

Choose the correct answers to complete the sentences.

- 1. _____ you know him?
 - a) Do
 - b) Does
- 2. _____ she know you?
 - a) Do
 - b) Does
- 3. _____ they know us?
 - a) Do
 - b) Does
- 4. _____ we like milk?
 - a) Do
 - b) Does



- 5. _____ Lisa and Peter like milk?
 - a) Do
 - b) Does
- 6. _____ he like tea?
 - a) Do
 - b) Does
- 7. ____ Megan and I read books?
 - a) Do
 - b) Does
- 8. _____ Peter drink coffee?
 - a) Do
 - b) Does



Exercise 3 – Sentence Construction

Use what you learned in class to make questions.

Example: He often swims. \rightarrow Does he often swim?

Content:

- 1. You know Peter.
- 2. He plays with toys.
- 3. She speaks Serbian.
- 4. They look at me.
- 5. Megan runs every day.
- 6. David and I eat dinner.