

Question Tags Spoken English

They are mini question that are put at the end of sentence in spoken english.

Sentence/Clause , Question tag. Question tag
Voice ←

I	Generally	+ve	-ve	Low
		-ve	+ve	Low

→ to seek agreement
to seek confirmation, polite enforcement

II	-ve	+ve	High
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To ask question, information etc. we need answer.

III	Let's	shall	High
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IV	Don't	will	Low
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V	Sentence like I'm	aren't	[situation acc. to I, II]
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Examples:

- Jamie dances very well, doesn't he? (I) low voice
- You're not going to be late, are you? (I) low voice
→ soft/polite enforcement.
- You didn't complete your HW, did you? (II) High voice
- Let's go to catch a fuck, shall we? (III) High voice
- I'm right to ditch her, aren't I? (V) Normal

Good Write

but order will be
(-ve +ve)

if question then
High voice

Some more examples:

1. It's a beautiful day, isn't it?

(soft tone)

2. You're coming with us, aren't you? seek

you're not coming with us, are you? agreement

(High tone on question tag) asking i.e. question.
& seeking answer.

3. She will bring the dessert, won't she?

4. We should book the tickets, shouldn't we?

5. Let's go for a walk, shall we?

6. Don't be late, will you?

↓ (polite version)

you wouldn't be late, would you?

7. He can drive, can't he?

8. You mustn't tell anyone, must you?

9. You mayn't come later, may you?

↑ less common.

replace with

← Informal formal →

Can

should, would, will

you can't come later, can you?

you shouldn't come later,
should you?