

GRAMMAR

Simple wh-questions

LEVEL

Beginner

NUMBER

EN_A1_1063G

LANGUAGE

English



Learning outcomes

- I can understand and form simple *wh*- questions.
- I can ask for someone's name, age and other basic personal information using *wh*- question words.



Who are you?
Where are you from?
What do you like?





wh- words

- Use a **wh- word** to ask a **question**.

Wh- word	Meaning
What	object or name
Who	person
Where	place
When	time
Why	reason



wh- words

- Use a **wh- word** to ask a **question**.

Wh- word	Question
What	What is your name?
Who	Who is your mother?
Where	Where are you from?
When	When is your birthday?
Why	Why are you studying English?

What



Hello. **What** is your name?

Who



Who is your mother?

”

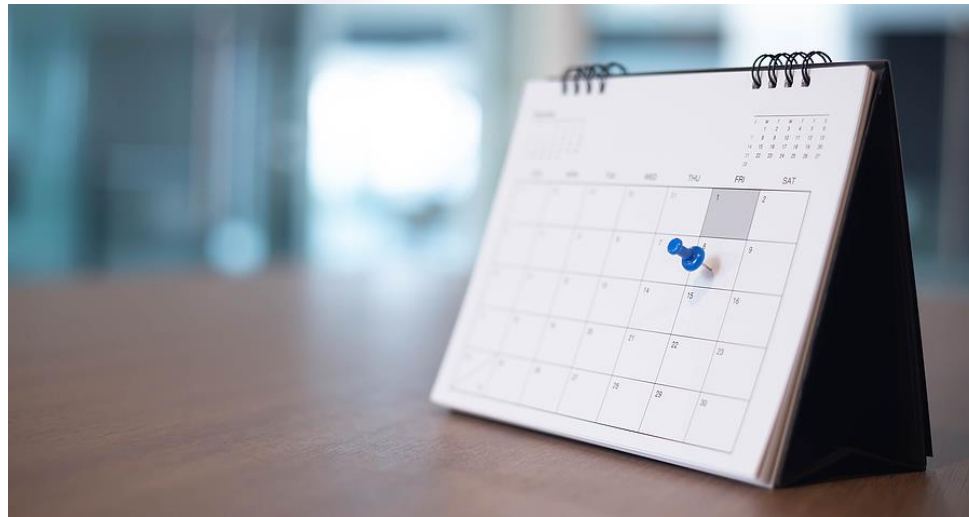
Where



Where are you from?

”

When



When is your birthday?

Why



Why are you learning English?



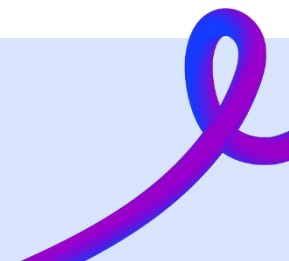
Being polite



What?

Pardon?

When you don't hear what someone says or you don't understand, it's more polite to say **Pardon?** rather than **What?**





Find the *wh*- word

wh-

y

wh-

wh-

ere

wh-

en

o

wh-

at



Match the *wh*- word with the meaning

1 Where

2 When

3 Who

4 Why

a time

b person

c reason

d place



Complete the questions

1 _____ is your name?

a. Who

b. What

c. Where

d. Why

2 _____ is your birthday?

a. Why

b. Who

c. When

d. What

3 _____ is your sister?

a. Who

b. What

c. Why

d. When

4 _____ is the supermarket?

a. When

b. Why

c. Who

d. Where



Other question words



Use **how** to ask other questions.

age

How old are you?

height

How tall are you?

How old



How old are you?

How tall



How tall are you?



Which word is different?

What

When

How old

Who

Where

Why



Asking questions

You can do the first part of the activity **in breakout rooms**.

**Think of five questions to ask
about this person.**

Ask your teacher.





Practice

**Write your five questions from the previous activity.
Think of five more.**





End of the lesson

Idiom

There's no such thing as a stupid question

Meaning: It's good to ask questions

Example: There's no such thing as a stupid question.



Additional practice



Complete the questions



1 _____ is your name?

2 _____ are you from?

3 _____ are you?

4 _____ is your birthday?

5 _____ is your brother?

6 _____ is the cinema?

7 _____ are you learning English?

Where

Why

How old

Who

What

When

Where



Correct the questions

Correct the question word, using the answer to help you.



When is that?

It's a table.



Why is that person?

That is my mum.



Who tall are you?

I am 1.60 metres tall.



Speaking



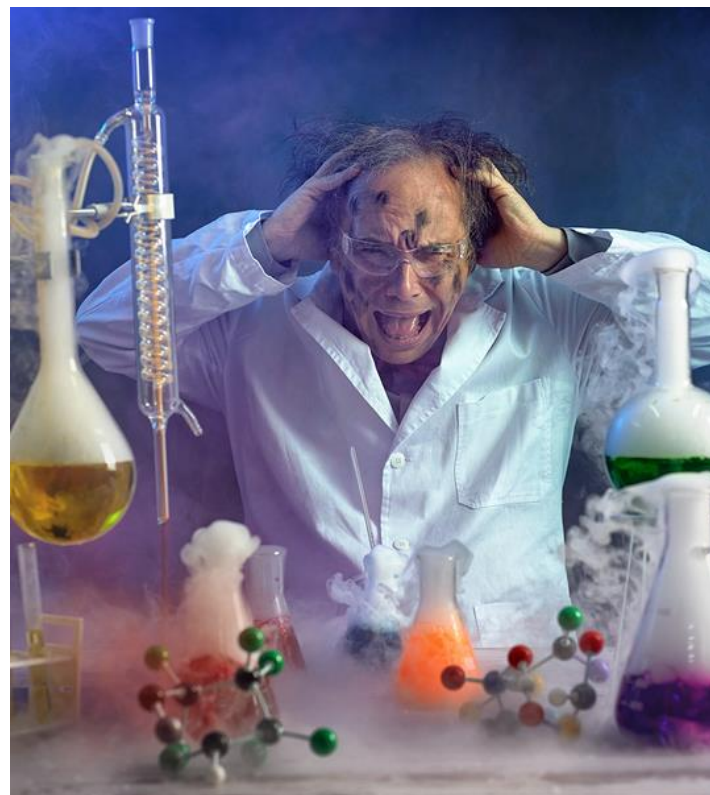
Answer the questions about the man in the picture with a partner.

1 What is his name?

2 What does he do?

3 Where is he from?

4 How does he feel?





Find out



**Look back at all the questions
from this lesson.
Ask a classmate five questions.
Tell your teacher the answers.**





Answer

Exercise p.12

what – why – when – where – who

Exercise p.13

1. d – 2. a – 3. b – 4. c

Exercise p.14

1. b – 2. c – 3. a – 4. d

Exercise p.18

How old



Answer key

Exercise p.24

1. What – **2.** Where – **3.** How old – **4.** When – **5.** Who – **6.** Where – **7.** Why

Exercise p.25

1. What is that? – **2.** Who is that? – **3.** How tall are you?



Summary

Using wh- words to ask a question:

- *What*: object or name
- *Who*: people
- *Where*: place

Using wh- words to ask a question:

- *When*: time
- *Why*: reason

Other question words:

- *How*: manner/way



Vocabulary

what

who

where

when

why

how

