

Complex question tags

Complex question tags are a type of linguistic structure used in English to add nuance or complexity to a question or statement. They consist of a main question tag, which is a short question or statement appended to the end of a sentence, and an additional clause or phrase that provides more information or context. Complex question tags are often used to seek confirmation, clarification, or agreement in a more elaborate manner.

Here are some common examples of complex question tags:

1. **Positive Main Question Tag with Positive Statement:**

- Statement: "You've seen that movie."
- Main Question Tag: "haven't you?"
- Complex Question Tag: "You've seen that movie, haven't you?"

2. **Negative Main Question Tag with Negative Statement:**

- Statement: "They don't like spicy food."
- Main Question Tag: "do they?"
- Complex Question Tag: "They don't like spicy food, do they?"

3. **Positive Main Question Tag with Negative Statement:**

- Statement: "She doesn't play the piano."
- Main Question Tag: "does she?"
- Complex Question Tag: "She doesn't play the piano, does she?"

4. **Negative Main Question Tag with Positive Statement:**

- Statement: "He's a great cook."
- Main Question Tag: "isn't he?"
- Complex Question Tag: "He's a great cook, isn't he?"

Summary Chart:

Main Question Tag	Statement	Complex Question Tag
Positive	You've seen that movie.	You've seen that movie, haven't you?
Negative	They don't like spicy food.	They don't like spicy food, do they?
Positive	She doesn't play the piano.	She doesn't play the piano, does she?
Negative	He's a great cook.	He's a great cook, isn't he?