

Word Order in Questions

Task 1: Which question word do you need?

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| 1. When |
| 2. How |
| 3. Why |
| 4. Who |
| 5. Where |
| 6. What |
| 7. Whose |

| SITUATION |
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| You know that your friend goes on holiday next week. You want to know the place. You ask: |
| You know that your sister has bought a birthday present for your mum. You want to know the price. You ask: |
| Yesterday you saw your boyfriend talking lively to another girl but you didn't know her. You ask: |
| There is a new girl in your class. You want to know her name. You ask: |
| You wanted to go the cinema with your friend yesterday but he didn't come. You want to know the reason. You ask: |
| You've found a purse in the classroom. You don't know the owner. You ask: |
| There's Fritz's birthday party next Friday evening but you don't know the time. You ask: |

b) Write down the questions of exercise a).

1. When _____
2. How _____
3. Why _____
4. Who _____
5. Where _____
6. What _____
7. Whose _____

Task 2: Here are some answers. Find the questions. You can use the verb in brackets and ask for the underlined part.

1. _____ ? –
Tessa hopes that Fritz will come tomorrow.
2. _____ (Tessa, meet) her boyfriend yesterday evening? –
Yes, she did.
3. _____ ? –
The bus is waiting behind the church.
4. _____ ? –
She hasn't read the book yet because her sister is reading it now.
5. _____ ? –
The train to London leaves at 7:38.
6. _____ ? –
Otto was waiting at the train station last Sunday for three hours.
7. _____ (children, be) at the party last Friday? – Yes, they were.
8. _____ ? – They talked to
Mrs. Meyer.
9. _____ ? –
Lisa does her homework in the evenings.
10. _____ (not, brush) your teeth yet? –
No, I haven't.
11. _____ ? –
I can't play the guitar on Dad's birthday because I gave it Fritz last month.
12. _____ (run) around in the garden now? –
It's Tessa's dog.
13. _____ ? –
She met her boyfriend in his car.
14. _____ ? –
The flight to Italy cost 200 €.

Task 3: Read the sentences and ask for the information indicated in brackets. Write your questions on the lines.

1. Sara celebrated her 15th birthday last Friday.

- (subject): _____
- (verb): _____
- (object): _____
- (adverbial): _____

2. He is on holiday in Denmark.

- (subject): _____
- (verb): _____
- (adverbial): _____

3. The unexpected test has made the pupils nervous.

- (subject): _____
- (object): _____
- (adverbial): _____

4. Otto won't come to Laura's party next Saturday.

- (subject): _____
- (verb): _____
- (adverbial): _____
- (adverbial): _____

5. Laura is thinking of her boyfriend.

- (subject): _____
- (verb): _____
- (object): _____

Task 4: Here are some answers. Find the questions. Ask for the underlined information.

1. Fritz loves Tessa. - _____
2. Luise likes playing tennis. - _____
3. The cat ate the bird. - _____
4. She is thinking of Jack. - _____
5. Lisa comes from Brighton. - _____
6. He gave Jenny a kiss. - _____
7. We have seen it six times. - _____
8. The party will begin at 8:00. - _____

Task 5: Make questions from the sentence parts. Be careful to use the correct tense!

1. last / Why / fight / the / begin / they / week

2. yet / How / movie / often / the / the / watch / boys

3. arrive / usually / When / train / the

4. last / give / weekend / Who / party / Otto / Fritz's / a / birthday / kiss / on

5. Brompton / be / far / to / How / here / it / from

6. yesterday / Who / arrive / shout / we / the / when / at / children

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| 3. Why | Yesterday you saw your boyfriend talking lively to another girl but you didn't know her. You ask: |
| 4. Who | There is a new girl in your class. You want to know her name. You ask: |
| 5. Where | You wanted to go the cinema with your friend yesterday but he didn't come. You want to know the reason. You ask: |
| 6. What | You've found a purse in the classroom. You don't know the owner. You ask: |
| 7. Whose | There's Fritz's birthday party next Friday evening but you don't know the time. You ask: |

b) Write down the questions of exercise a).

- When _____ **does / will the party start / begin?** _____
- How _____ **much did the present cost?** _____
- Why _____ **didn't you come to the cinema?** _____
- Who _____ **were you talking to yesterday?** _____
- Where _____ **are you going?** _____
- What _____ **is your name?** _____
- Whose _____ **purse is it?** _____

Task 2: Here are some answers. Find the questions. You can use the verb in brackets and ask for the underlined part.

1. **Who will come tomorrow** _____ ? –
Tessa hopes that Fritz will come tomorrow.
2. **Did Tessa meet** _____ (Tessa, meet) her boyfriend yesterday evening? –
Yes, she did.
3. **The bus is waiting behind the church** _____ ? –
The bus is waiting behind the church.
4. **Why hasn't she read the book yet** _____ ? –
She hasn't read the book yet because her sister is reading it now.
5. **When does the train to London leave** _____ ? –
The train to London leaves at 7:38.
6. **How long was Otto waiting at the train station last Sunday** _____ ? –
Otto was waiting at the train station last Sunday for three hours.
7. **Were the children** _____ (children, be) at the party last Friday? – Yes, they were.
8. **Who did they talk to** _____ ? – They talked to Mrs. Meyer.
9. **When does Lisa do her homework** _____ ? –
Lisa does her homework in the evenings.
10. **Haven't you brushed** _____ (not, brush) your teeth yet? –
No, I haven't.
11. **Why can't you play the guitar on Dad's birthday** _____ ? –
I can't play the guitar on Dad's birthday because I gave it Fritz last month.
12. **Whose dog is running** _____ (run) around in the garden now? –
It's Tessa's dog.
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She met her boyfriend in his car.
14. **How much did the flight to Italy cost** _____ ? –
The flight to Italy cost 200 €.

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1. Sara celebrated her 15th birthday last Friday.

- (subject): Who celebrated her 15th birthday last Friday?
- (verb): What did Sara do last Friday?
- (object): What did Sara celebrate last Friday?
- (adverbial): When did Sara celebrate her 15th birthday?

2. He is on holiday in Denmark.

- (subject): Who is on holiday in Denmark?
- (verb): What does he do in Denmark?
- (adverbial): Where is he on holiday?

3. The unexpected test has made the pupils nervous.

- (subject): What has made the pupils nervous?
- (object): Who has the unexpected test made nervous?
- (adverbial): What has the unexpected test the pupils made?

4. Otto won't come to Laura's party next Saturday.

- (subject): Who won't come to Laura's party next Saturday?
- (verb): What won't Otto do next Saturday?
- (adverbial): Where won't Otto come next Saturday?
- (adverbial): When won't Otto come to Laura's party?

5. Laura is thinking of her boyfriend.

- (subject): Who is thinking of her boyfriend?
- (verb): What is Laura doing?
- (object): Who is Laura thinking of?

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7. We have seen it six times. - How often have you seen it?
8. The party will begin at 8:00. - What will begin at 8:00?

Task 5: Make questions from the sentence parts. Be careful to use the correct tense!

1. last / Why / fight / the / begin / they / week
Why did they begin the fight last week?
2. yet / How / movie / often / the / the / watch / boys
How often have the boys watched the movie yet?
3. arrive / usually / When / train / the
When does the train usually arrive?
4. last / give / weekend / Who / party / Tim / Fritz's / a / birthday / kiss / on
Who gave Tim a kiss on Fritz's birthday party last weekend?
5. Brompton / be / far / to / How / here / it / from
How far is it from here to Brompton?
6. yesterday / Who / arrive / shout / we / the / when / at / children
Who were the children shouting at when we arrived yesterday?