

Question Words (what, where, who, when...) – Worksheet 1

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Exercise 1: Complete the questions

Read the answer. Write the correct question word in the gap.

Example: ____ is your phone? – It's in my bag. → Where

1. _____ is your name? – My name is Leo.
2. _____ do you live? – I live in Madrid.
3. _____ is that man? – He's my teacher.
4. _____ is your birthday? – It's in May.
5. _____ are you? – I'm fine, thanks.
6. _____ don't you like milk? – Because I don't like the taste.
7. _____ is your bag? – It's under the table.
8. _____ do you get up? – At seven o'clock.

Exercise 2: Use the words in the box

Complete the questions with words from the box. There are two extra words.

WORD BOX

what where who when why how how old how many how much whose

9. _____ is your sister? – She's twelve.
10. _____ cats does Maria have? – Three.
11. _____ do you do on Sundays? – I play football.
12. _____ is your best friend? – Sam.
13. _____ are my keys? – They're on the table.
14. _____ does the film start? – At eight.
15. _____ are you sad? – Because my dog is ill.
16. _____ do you go to school? – By bus.

Exercise 3: Match the questions and answers

Match each question with the correct answer from the box. There is one extra answer.

WORD BOX

In London. He's ten. My mum. On Friday. A sandwich. Because I'm tired.
She's very well, thanks. Two apples.

17. Where does your uncle live? → _____

18. How old is Tom? → _____

19. Who is in the kitchen? → _____

20. When is the party? → _____

21. What do you want for lunch? → _____

22. Why don't you want to play? → _____

23. How is your grandma? → _____

Exercise 4: Put the words in order

Put the words in the correct order to make questions.

Example: is / where / the station → Where is the station?

24. is / name / what / your

25. do / where / live / you

26. your / who / teacher / is

27. birthday / when / your / is

28. you / why / are / late

29. does / what / Anna / eat / for breakfast

30. don't / why / you / like / tea

31. old / how / your / is / brother

Exercise 5: Find and correct the mistake

Each question has one mistake. Write the correct question.

Example: Where she is from? → Where is she from?

32. Where you live?

33. What is you name?

34. Where does she lives?

35. How old you are?

36. Why you don't like pizza?

37. What time do the lesson start?

38. How many sister have you got?

Answer key – Question Words (what, where, who, when...) – Worksheet 1

Exercise 1: Complete the questions

1. What

We use 'what' to ask about a thing or information, like a name.

2. Where

We use 'where' to ask about a place.

3. Who

We use 'who' to ask about a person.

4. When

We use 'when' to ask about a time, day or month.

5. How

We use 'how' to ask how someone feels.

6. Why

We use 'why' to ask for a reason; the answer often starts with 'because'.

7. Where

'Under the table' is a place, so we use 'where'.

8. When

We use 'when' or 'what time' to ask about the time of an action.

Exercise 2: Use the words in the box

9. How old

We use 'how old' to ask about age.

10. How many

We use 'how many' to ask about a number of things we can count.

11. What

We use 'what' to ask about activities.

12. Who

Sam is a person, so we use 'who'.

13. Where

'On the table' is a place, so we use 'where'.

14. When

'At eight' is a time, so we use 'when'.

15. Why

The answer gives a reason with 'because', so we use 'why'.

16. How

We use 'how' to ask about the way we do something, for example transport.

Exercise 3: Match the questions and answers

17. In London.

'Where' asks about a place: London.

18. He's ten.

'How old' asks about age.

19. My mum.

'Who' asks about a person.

20. On Friday.

'When' asks about a time or day.

21. A sandwich.

'What' asks about a thing: a sandwich.

22. Because I'm tired.

'Why' asks for a reason, and the answer starts with 'because'.

23. She's very well, thanks.

'How is...?' asks about health or feelings.

Exercise 4: Put the words in order

24. What is your name?

Question word + be + subject.

25. Where do you live?

Question word + do + subject + verb.

26. Who is your teacher?

Question word + be + subject.

27. When is your birthday?

Question word + be + subject.

28. Why are you late?

Question word + be + subject + adjective.

29. What does Anna eat for breakfast?

With he/she/it we use 'does' after the question word, and the verb has no -s.

30. Why don't you like tea?

In negative questions: why + don't + subject + verb.

31. How old is your brother?

'How old' stays together at the start, then be + subject.

Exercise 5: Find and correct the mistake

32. Where do you live?

We need 'do' before the subject in questions with most verbs.

33. What is your name?

We need the possessive 'your', not 'you'.

34. Where does she live?

After 'does' the verb has no -s.

35. How old are you?

In questions, 'are' comes before the subject.

36. Why don't you like pizza?

In negative questions, 'don't' comes before the subject.

37. What time does the lesson start?

'The lesson' is 'it', so we use 'does'.

38. How many sisters have you got?

After 'how many' we use a plural noun.

Notes for teachers: Start by asking learners simple questions (What's your name? Where do you live?) and write the question words on the board with a simple picture or symbol for each. Typical mistakes are leaving out do/does (Where you live?), keeping the statement word order (How old you are?) and mixing up who/where or when/where. As a follow-up, learners can write six questions for a partner using different question words and then interview each other.