

QUESTION FORMATION: QUICK REFERENCE

A1 | Everyday questions

Question type	Structure	Example	Remember
Be: yes/no	Am / Is / Are + subject + ...?	Are you a student? Is she at home?	Move be before the subject.
Present simple: do	Do + I / you / we / they + base verb + ...?	Do you live near here?	Yes, I do. No, I don't.
Present simple: does	Does + he / she / it + base verb + ...?	Does she work here?	Use work , not works , after does.
Can: ability	Can + subject + base verb + ...?	Can you swim ?	Yes, I can. No, I can't.
Question word + be	Question word + am / is / are + subject + ...?	Where are you from? How old is she ?	Do not add do or does .
Question word + do/does	Question word + do / does + subject + base verb + ...?	Where do you live ? What does he teach ?	Use this pattern for these present simple questions.

Useful question words

What = a thing or activity | **Where** = a place | **When** = a time | **Who** = a person

Why = a reason | **How** = the way you do something | **How old** = age

Check your question

A **subject** is a person or thing, such as I, she or the bus. A **base verb** is the basic form: go, work, play.

Write **Does he like tea?**, not *Does he likes tea?* Write **Are you tired?**, not *Do you are tired?*