

WH- Questions in English

Practice Worksheet with Answer Key

Suitable for B1-B2 learners | Useful for everyday English, FCE and CAE preparation

Instructions: Complete the exercises below. This worksheet practises question words, word order, subject and object questions, indirect questions, and common mistakes with WH- questions.

Exercise A | Choose the correct WH-word

Complete each question with a suitable question word: what, where, when, who, whose, which, why, or how.

1. _____ do you usually go on holiday?
2. _____ did you call me last night?
3. _____ bag is this on the chair?
4. _____ did she say at the meeting?
5. _____ old is your brother?
6. _____ of these jackets do you prefer?
7. _____ are they waiting for outside?
8. _____ do your lessons start on Mondays?
9. _____ does this machine work?
10. _____ are you looking so worried?

Exercise B | Put the words in the correct order

Reorder the words to make correct WH- questions.

11. you / where / do / live ? _____
12. did / what / buy / she ? _____
13. talking / who / are / to / they ? _____
14. start / the film / does / when ? _____
15. why / laughing / are / you ? _____
16. for / what / looking / he / is ? _____
17. came / who / to the party / first ? _____
18. you / go / did / with / who ? _____

Exercise C | Correct the mistakes

Each question contains a mistake. Rewrite it correctly.

19. Where you are going? _____
20. What did she said? _____
21. Who did call you yesterday? _____
22. Can you tell me where is the station? _____
23. Why they were late? _____
24. Which book you chose? _____
25. What time does the train leaves? _____
26. Who you were speaking to? _____

Exercise D | Subject question or object question?

Write S for subject question or O for object question.

No.	Question
1	Who broke the window?
2	Who did you invite?
3	What happened after the exam?
4	Which student did the teacher praise?
5	Who called you this morning?
6	What did they decide in the end?

Exercise E | Rewrite as indirect questions

Begin each sentence with the prompt given.

27. Where does she work? → Could you tell me ... _____
28. Why did they leave early? → Do you know ... _____
29. What time does the shop open? → Can you tell me ... _____
30. Where is the nearest bank? → I wonder ... _____
31. How does this app work? → Could you explain ... _____
32. When will the results come out? → Do you happen to know ...

Exercise F | Write your own WH- questions

Write suitable WH- questions for the answers below.

33. Answer: I live in Belgrade. _____
34. Answer: We usually travel by train. _____
35. Answer: Because I was feeling ill. _____
36. Answer: The lesson starts at half past six. _____
37. Answer: I spoke to my manager. _____
38. Answer: This is Anna's notebook. _____

Answer Key

Exercise A

- 1. Where
- 2. Why
- 3. Whose
- 4. What
- 5. How
- 6. Which
- 7. Who
- 8. When
- 9. How
- 10. Why

Exercise B

- 1. Where do you live?
- 2. What did she buy?
- 3. Who are they talking to?
- 4. When does the film start?
- 5. Why are you laughing?
- 6. What is he looking for?
- 7. Who came to the party first?
- 8. Who did you go with?

Exercise C

- 1. Where are you going?
- 2. What did she say?
- 3. Who called you yesterday?
- 4. Can you tell me where the station is?
- 5. Why were they late?
- 6. Which book did you choose?
- 7. What time does the train leave?
- 8. Who were you speaking to?

Exercise D

- 1. S
- 2. O
- 3. S
- 4. O
- 5. S
- 6. O

Exercise E

- 1. Could you tell me where she works?
- 2. Do you know why they left early?
- 3. Can you tell me what time the shop opens?
- 4. I wonder where the nearest bank is.

- 5. Could you explain how this app works?
- 6. Do you happen to know when the results will come out?

Exercise F

- Possible answers:
- 1. Where do you live?
- 2. How do you usually travel?
- 3. Why did you leave / Why were you absent?
- 4. When does the lesson start?
- 5. Who did you speak to?
- 6. Whose notebook is this?

Teacher's note: Exercise F has more than one possible answer. Accept any grammatically correct WH-question that matches the information given.