

Asking and answering questions over 100 Basic English questions

What will I learn from the Basic English questions lesson?

During this lesson you will learn how to ask basic questions and how to answer them. The topics that are covered are:-

Personal information questions

Introducing yourself and saying hello

Shopping questions

Asking something specific questions

Questions using the word 'Like'

Asking for an opinion.

Suggestions

Each of these topics has several examples of questions and sometimes shows how to ask for other things with the same question.

Have you got a **car** / **job** / house / etc.?

Yes, I've got a nice car / Yes, I like my job / No, I live in a flat.

Personal Information questions

What's your name?

Jason.

Where are you from?

I'm from Manchester

where do you come from?

I come from London

What is your surname?

Smith

What is your family name?

Bean.



What's your first name?

John.

What's your address?

13 Oxford Street

Where do you live?

I live in England.

What's your telephone number?

01254 123321

How old are you?

Thirty-eight. I'm Thirty-eight years old.

When and where were you born?

I was born in 1974 in Liverpool.

Are you married?

No am single

What's your marital status?

I'm married.

What do you do? or What's your job?

I'm a English teacher.

Where did you go?

I went to shopping with a friend.

What did you do?

We bought so new clothes.

Where were you?

I was in London for the weekend.

Have you got a car / job / house / etc.?

Yes, I've got a nice car / Yes, I like my job / No, I live in a flat.

Have you got any children / friends / books / etc.?

Yes, I've got three children - two boys and a daughter.

Can you play tennis / golf / football / etc.?

Yes, I can play football.

Can you speak English / Spanish / Chinese / etc.?

No, I can't speak Chinese.

Could you speak English / French / Japanese / etc.?

when you were five / two / fifteen / etc. years old?

Yes, I could speak English when I was five years old.

Introducing Yourself and Saying Hello

How do you do?

How do you do. Pleased to meet you.

How are you?

Fine, thanks. And you?

Shopping questions

How can I help you? / May I help you?

Yes. I'm looking for a sweater.

Can I try it on?

Sure, the changing rooms are over there.

How much does it cost? / How much is it?

It's £45.

How would you like to pay?

By cash.

Can I pay by credit card / check / debit card?

Certainly. We accept all the major cards.

Have you got something bigger / smaller / lighter / etc.?

Certainly, we've got a larger sizes as well.

Asking Something Specific questions

What's that?

It's a dog!

What time is it?

It's one o'clock.

Can / May I open the window?

Certainly. It's very hot in the office today!

Is there a bakery / market / bank / etc. near here?

Yes. There is a bakery take the next corner and it's next to the bank.

Where is the nearest bakery / market / bank / etc.?

The nearest bank is on Mayfield street.

Who wrote / invented / painted / etc. the ...?

Hemingway wrote "The Sun Also Rises".

Is there any water / sugar / rice / etc.?

Yes, there's a lot of water left.

Are there any apples / sandwiches / books / etc.?

No, there aren't any books left.

Is this your / his / her / etc. book / ball / house / etc.?

No, I think it's his ball.

Whose is this / that?

It's Jack's.

Questions using the word 'Like'

What do you like?

I like playing cricket, reading and listening to pop music.

What does she look like?

she's tall and slim with blond hair.

What would you like to eat?

I'd like a steak and chips and a salad.

What is it like?

It's an interesting country many things to see and do.

What's the weather like?

It's snowing really heavy at the moment.

Would you like some coffee / tea / food?

Yes, thank you. I'd like some tea.

Would you like something to drink / eat?

Thank you. Could I have a cup of coffee and some cake?

Asking for an Opinion

What's it about?

It's about a young girl who has many adventures.

What do you think about your job / that book etc.?

I thought the book was very interesting.

How big / far / difficult / easy is it?

The test was very difficult, but I think I did OK!

How big / far / difficult / easy are they?

The questions were very easy.

How was it?

It was very interesting.

What are you going to do tomorrow / this evening / next week / etc.?

I'm going to visit my family next weekend.

Suggestions

What shall we do this today/ this morning / afternoon / evening?

Let's go see a movie.

Why don't we go out / play football / visit some old friends / etc. this afternoon?

Yes, that sounds like a great idea.