

# Question Words



# What

A question word used to ask for information about people or things.

**Examples:** What do you do? (What is your job?)  
What will you do today?  
What is that?  
What are you looking for?  
What is your name?

# Where

Question word for place, position or direction

**Example:**    Where are we?  
                  Where is the book?  
                  Where is the bus station?  
                  Where do you live?  
                  Where should we meet?

# When

Question word for date and time

**Example:** When is your birthday?  
When will you go to school?  
When will it start?  
When did you see her?  
When are you going to visit?

# Who

Question word used for people

**Example:**

Who are you?

Who is your brother?

Who are the participants?

Who will go with me?

Who can sing?

# Whose

Question word used when asking about which person owns or is responsible for something?

**Example:**

Whose bag is this?

Whose idea is this?

Whose fault is this?

Whose new car is that?

Whose clothes are these?

# Who's

vs.

# Whose

**Who's = Who is**

**Example:**

Who is (Who's) the owner of this bag?

Who's going to the beach?

**Example:**

Whose bag is this?

# Why

Question word to ask for reasons

**Example:**

Why is he here?

Why are you studying English?

Why are you mad?

Why do you go to school?

Why do people wear a mask?



# Which

Question word used when there are two or more possible answers or alternatives

**Example:**      Which dress will you choose?  
                      Which is better the blue car or the red car?  
                      Which do you want me to clean first, the kitchen  
or the bedroom?

# How

Question word used when asking about a procedure, someone's state, what an experience or event was like or the way something works

**Example:**     How to cook rice?  
                    How are you?  
                    How's your trip?  
                    How does this technology work?

# How much

Used for asking what the amount of something is  
Used for uncountable nouns

**Example:**

How much is the bag?

homework?

How much time do you need to finish your

How much milk should I put in your coffee?

# How many

Used when asking about the quantity of something  
Used for countable nouns

**Example:**

How many cars are there?

How many cubes of sugar should I put in your coffee?

How many books did you read?