

Welcome to the
world of

Tag-questions!



Tag-questions

(разделительные вопросы)

В английском языке существуют специальные окончания вопросов, которые очень важны для поддержания беседы. Они помогают перебросить «мостик» к собеседнику, чтобы тот смог продолжить беседу.

E.g. She is a very good pupil, **isn't she?**
(Она очень хорошая ученица, **не так ли?**)



Подобные вопросы называются tag-questions. Главное - научиться выбирать нужные окончания вопросов, которых в английском языке больше, чем в русском, например,

... won't you? / will you? ...doesn't she? / does she?

... don't you? / do you? ...couldn't I? / could I? ...didn't we? / did we? ...weren't we? / were we? ...wasn't he? / was he?





Правила их употребления.

1. Если в первой части предложения глагол стоит в утвердительной форме, то вторая часть предложения содержит глагол в отрицательной форме, а подлежащее заменяется на соответствующее местоимение.

E.g. My friends **are** students, **aren't** they?



2. Если в первой части предложения глагол стоит в отрицательной форме, то вторая часть предложения содержит глагол в утвердительной форме, а подлежащее заменяется на соответствующее местоимение.

Е. г. My friends **aren't** students, **are** they?



3. Если в первой части предложения есть глаголы **to be (is, am, are, was, were), to have (has, had), will / shall, can / could, would / must**, то во второй части предложения используется тот же глагол.

E. g. They **have got** a big house in the country, **haven't** they?

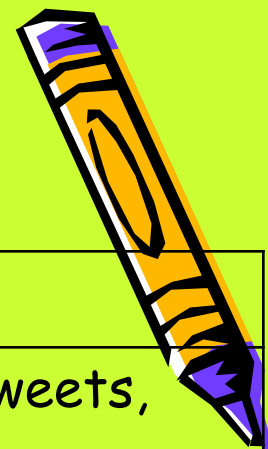


4. Если в первой части предложения нет указанных в 3 пункте глаголов, то во второй части предложения используется **do / does** или **did** в зависимости от времени действия.

E. g. Your sister plays the piano very well, **doesn't** she?



Таблица образования разделительных вопросов



I am	aren't I?	I am fat, aren't I?
I used to	didn't I?	He used to eat a lot of sweets, didn't he?
Let's	shall we?	Let's forget it, shall we?
Won't	will you?	You won't be late, will you?
He has got	hasn't he?	He has got a large house, hasn't he?
I have	don't I?	I have dinner at 2 o'clock, don't I?
Everyone / someone/ anyone/ no one	auxiliary verb + they?	Everyone knows the way to the shop, don't they?





На разделительные вопросы (tag-questions) следует отвечать так же, как и на любой общий вопрос, требующий ответ "Yes" или "No".

E.g. She was in England a year ago, wasn't she? - *Yes, she was. / No, she wasn't.*



Обратите внимание на то, что при ответах на подобные вопросы в русском языке можно сказать: *Да, она не работает* или же *Нет, она работает*. В английском языке такой ответ невозможен и на вопрос *She doesn't work, does she?* нужно ответить: *No, she doesn't* или *Yes, she does*.

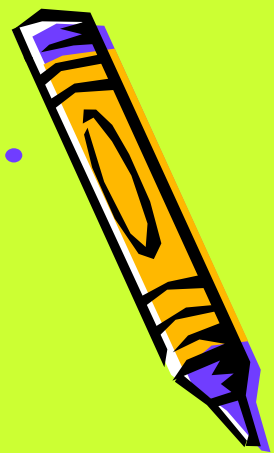




Let's train!



Choose the right tag-ending.



1. He can play golf well, ...?

a ..., doesn't he?

b ..., can he?

c ..., can't he?

2. You are the new secretary, ...?

a ..., aren't you?

b ..., are you?

c ..., don't you?

3. Mr. Evans is speaking over the phone, ...?

a ..., is he?

b ..., isn't he?

c ..., doesn't you?



4. You like black coffee, ...?

a ..., aren't you?

b ..., don't you?

c ..., do you?

5. I'm busy, ...?

a ..., aren't I?

b ..., don't I?

c ..., am not I?

6. It's a nice day, ...?

a ..., does it?

b ..., is it?

c ..., isn't it?



7. We haven't got much time, ...?

a ..., do we?

b ..., don't we?

c ..., have we?

8. Sam doesn't work hard, ...?

a ..., is he?

b ..., does he?

c ..., isn't he?

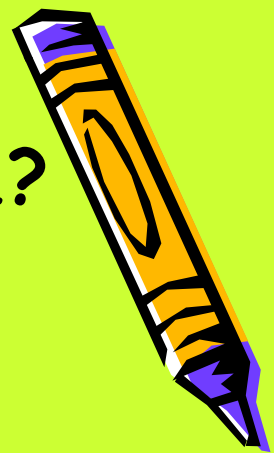
9. There will be a nice film on TV tonight, ...?

a ..., won't there?

b ..., will it?

c ..., will there?





10. She doesn't speak Spanish at all, ...?

a ..., does she?

b ..., don't she?

c ..., is she?

11. It's nice to invite British students, ...?

a ..., does it?

b ..., is it?

c ..., isn't it?

12. It was a wonderful game, ...?

a ..., was it?

b ..., did it?

c ..., wasn't it?



Match the questions and the answers.



1. You are in the fifth form, aren't you?
2. He isn't from Scotland, is he?
3. They must work hard, mustn't they?
4. We won't go abroad this summer, will we?

- a) No, he isn't.
- b) Yes, they must.
- c) No, we won't.
- d) Yes, I am.



5. Yesterday Steven met a group of Russian students, didn't he?

6. She was nervous at the lesson, wasn't she?

7. Pam couldn't stay after lessons, could she?

e) No, she couldn't.

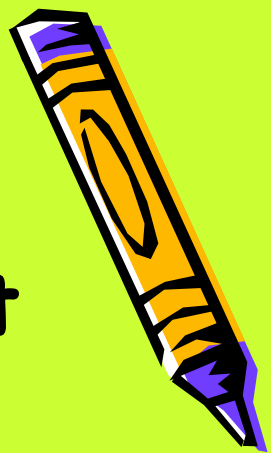
f) Yes, she was.

g) No, he didn't.



Answer the following questions:

- 1) You are in the fifth form, aren't you?
- 2) You don't like picnics, do you?
- 3) You helped the old woman on your way to school, didn't you?
- 4) Your friend can't drive a car, can he?
- 5) You won't have a Maths exam this year, will you?



Well done!

