MORE QUESTIONS AND NEGATIVES

GROUP ‘A’ VERBS, HELPING VERBS

- BE, AM, IS ARE, WAS, WERE
- HAVE, HAS, HAD as a helping verb
- OTHER HELPING VERBS: CAN, COULD, SHOULD, WOULD, MAY, MIGHT, MUST, WILL, etc.

1. MAKING QUESTIONS

Reverse the order of the subject and helping verb.

I’m from Hispaniola. Am I from Hispaniola?

She can speak Slovakian. Can she speak Slovakian?

She was born near Beijing. Was she born near Beijing?

They have all studied English. Have they all studied English?

2. MAKING NEGATIVE STATEMENTS

Add NOT or N’T after the helping verb.

She has lived here for 4 years. She hasn’t lived here for 4 years.

Denis will be a hockey star. Denis won’t be a hockey star.

She may start an art business. She may not start an art business.

They had all passed the course. They hadn’t all passed the course.

GROUP ‘B’ VERBS. ALL THE OTHER VERBS

1. MAKING QUESTIONS

Add “do,” does,” or “did” as the helping verb at the start of the question. Put the main verb in the base form (with no s/es/ed ending).

She wanted to dance. Did she want to dance?

You like hip hop and rap. Do you like hip hop and rap?

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She cares if you call her. Does she care if you call her?

You came from Ho Chi Minh City. Did you come from Ho Chi Minh City?

2. MAKING NEGATIVES

Add “don’t,” “doesn’t,” or “didn’t.” Put the main verb in the base form (with no s/es/ed ending).

She grew up in Angola. She didn’t grow up in Angola.

She speaks Cantonese. She doesn’t speak Cantonese.

They loved to eat rice pudding. They didn’t love to eat rice pudding.

We found grammar boring. We didn’t find grammar boring.

MAKE NEGATIVE AND A QUESTION OF EACH OF THE 20 SENTENCES.

EXERCISES ON THE NEXT PAGE:

1. One day recently Wenyu got onto the wrong bus.

2. It gets cold at night in October in Hamilton.

3. He was born in Basra in southern Iraq.

4. Jessie will earn really good grades if she works hard.

5. You saw Mr. Kim’s apartment.

6. He’s a Kurd from northern Iraq.

7. Jasvir used to live in Delhi and go to a Catholic school.

8. She has always wanted to be a teacher.

9. Ms. Duong can help that Vietnamese student.

10. They heard Peter practicing the drums

11. She had wanted to go to McMaster University in Hamilton.

12. Yeong grew up on a small island in Korea.
13. David often visits the Isle of Wight off the south coast of England.

14. Ho has driven the same car for five years.

15. Karzan was playing his violin for Nhung.

16. Studying so much grammar is getting tiring.

17. Cai Feng had eaten breakfast when the power went off.

18. You have a big house just outside Shanghai.

19. Sarjon is an Assyrian, a very small Christian group in Iraq.

20. Naheed has three children.