



## QUESTIONS AND NEGATIVES

### **GROUP 'A' VERBS, HELPING VERBS**

- BE, AM, IS ARE, WAS, WERE
- HAVE, HAS, HAD as a helping verb, not as a main 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).

**You want to dance. Do you want to dance?**

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

**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. 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.**

EXERCISES ON THE NEXT PAGE:

### ***MAKE THESE INTO***

### ***NEGATIVES AND QUESTIONS***

1. I can speak Punjabi.
2. You are really clever.
3. My mother likes to cook.
4. They were in the cafeteria.
5. I know why I love you.
6. There's a storm coming tonight.
7. Jasbir lived in Ludhiana.
8. Jean-Paul is a Frenchman.
9. It's easy to learn English.
10. Home is where the heart is.
11. I can see clearly now.
12. They will take the test.
13. She went to Limeridge.
14. She's going to Jackson Square.
15. She has a nice boyfriend.
16. She has seen a movie with him.
17. Hyoin used to live in Seoul.
18. Ying came from Beijing.
19. I must smoke a cigarette.
20. My parents were from Canada.
21. Frana was a clever student.
22. You can tell I'm lying.
23. My teacher is a Somali.
24. I can speak Swedish.



25. I'm speaking Swedish right now.
26. I speak German often.
27. They've been working hard.
28. Yi has told the truth.
29. Baljit wrote to her mother.
30. Munira was writing to me.
31. Most of them are from Europe.
32. I do like popcorn.
33. Sibó is an excellent typist.
34. Bhupinder loves to sing.
35. He took Bertha to the movies.
36. Ibrahim is going to be rich.
37. Fei wishes she could go home.
38. Thuong has a Siamese cat.
39. Feng ate fish for dinner.
40. He likes fish to eat often.
41. I have written a resume.
42. I want to get a job soon.
43. She's employed already.
44. Jobs are easy to find.
45. I want to make lots of money.
46. Using English is difficult.
47. Qing works hard always.
48. I have visited his house.
49. Kevin is from Mauritius.
50. It's in the Indian Ocean.