

Question forms

Subject and object questions

*Who did you write **to**? (Komu jsi napsal?)*

X

Who wrote to Camilla? (Kdo napsal Camille?)

*Who did you speak **to** at the party? (S kým jsi na večírku mluvila?)*

X

Who spoke to you? (Kdo s tebou mluvil?)

Indirect questions

Indirect questions are often used when you want to be more polite. Be careful about the word order – it is the same as in normal sentences!

What's the time? I'd like to know what the time is.
(not what is the time)

How much does it cost? I'm wondering how much it costs.

When does the train leave? Do you mind telling me when the train leaves?

Tag questions

Frequently used in spoken English when you want to agree/disagree.

- *You like travelling a lot, don't you?* (Máš hodně rád cestování, že?)
+ -
- *She was in Austria in 2000, wasn't she?*
+ -
- *Jane has been going out with Steve, hasn't she?*
+ -
- *Martin won't help him, will he?*
- +
- *Paul didn't talk about it, did he?*
- +
- *Jessica can't play the flute very well, can she?*
- +

Tag questions II

You use a positive question tag after never, hardly, little...

- +

- *He never watches TV, does he?*

- +

Keith hardly ever drinks beer, does he?

Careful:

- *Let's go swimming this afternoon, shall we?*
- *There's no time, is there?*
- *Nothing can go wrong, can it?*
- *Somebody must have called, haven't they?*

Questions with prepositions

When forming questions we often place prepositions at the end of a sentence.

- **Who** are you waiting **for**?
- **Where** have you been **to**?
- **What** does Jim suffer **from**?
- **What** are you looking **at**?
- **Which** channel is the film **on**?
- **What** is he afraid **of**?
- **What** schools did you go **to**?
- **Who** did you dance **with**?
- **Who** did you give it **to**?
- **Who** was it written **by**?