Beginning English Lesson 6: Common Questions

Learn how to ask and answer common questions.

In English, we have six *question words* – these are words that we use when we ask questions. They are **who**, **what**, **when**, **where**, **why**, and **how**.

Question Word	Used For	Example
Who	People	Who is speaking? Mike is speaking.
What	Things	What do you like to eat? I like to eat pizza.
When	7:00 p.m.	<i>When is class?</i> Class is at 7:00 p.m.
Where	Places	Where can I buy food? You can buy food at the supermarket.
Why	Answer ?	Why are you not working today? I am not working today because I am sick.
How	Explanations or directions 4	How do I make a sandwich? You use two pieces of bread, cheese, and meat.

Here are some examples of questions and answers.

Question	Answer
What is your name?	My name is Sandy.

Question	Answer
Where do you live?	I live in Kennett Square.

Question	Answer
Why are you wearing a sweater?	I am wearing a sweater because it is cold outside.

Question	Answer
Where do you work?	I work at the Kennett Library.