

# Question tag | rules with examples

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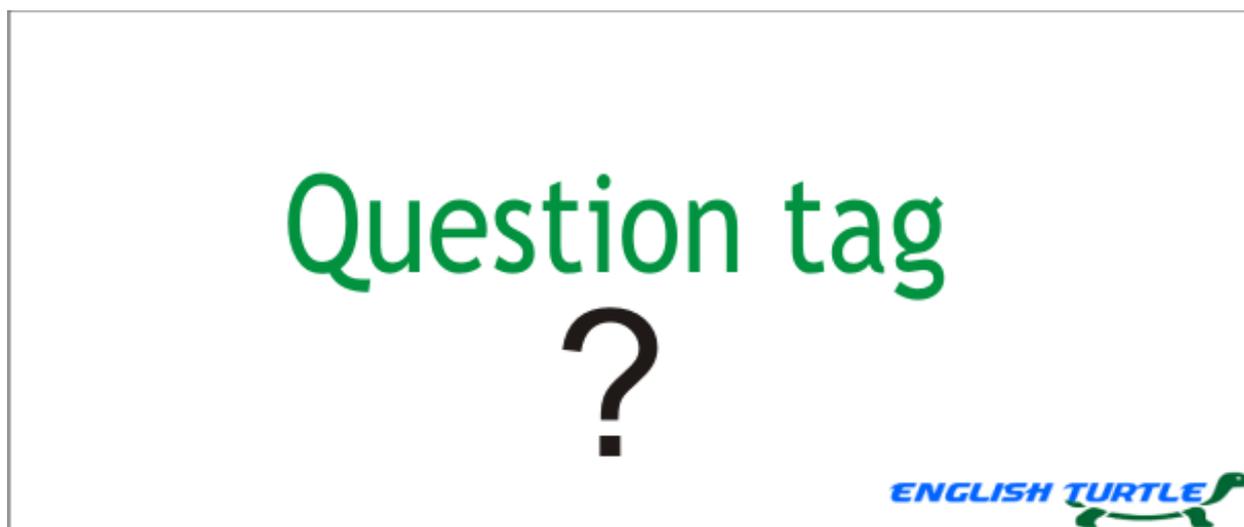
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*A question tag is a short question that comes at the end of a statement (sentence).*

Question tag = Auxiliary verb + pronoun ?

**Incorrect:** Ram doesn't know how to swim, does Ram?

**Correct:** Ram doesn't know how to swim, **does he?**



**Incorrect:** I think he will not attend the party, won't he?

**Correct:** I think he will not attend the party, **will he?**

**Explanation:-** A **negative** statement is followed by a **positive** question tag.

**Incorrect:** Let us celebrate the party, can we?

**Correct:** Let us celebrate the party, **shall we?**

**Explanation:-** let us/let's से शुरू होने वाले वाक्यों में '**shall we**' को use करते हैं

**Incorrect:** Don't go there, do you?

**Correct:** Don't go there, **will you?**

**Explanation:-** यदि main वाक्य '**don't + V<sub>1</sub>**' से शुरू हो तब 'will you' का use करते हैं

**Incorrect:** Try to work hard, will you?

**Correct:** Try to work hard, **won't you?**

**Explanation:-** आदेश या निवेदन वाले वाक्यों में question tag के लिए 'won't you' का प्रयोग करते हैं

**Incorrect:** His reasons can be good, isn't it?

**Correct:** His reasons can be good, **can't they?**

## Question tag exercise

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1. Your father used to be the principal of this college,.....?[SSC-2010]

- A. did he            B. Does he  
C. didn't he        D. doesn't he

**Ans:-C**

2. Ram helps everyone,.....[SSC-2012]

- A. isn't he?        B. Doesn't he?  
C. isn't it?        D. does he?

**Ans:- B**

3. We met yesterday, haven't we?[SSC-2015]

- A. didn't we?        B.No Improvement  
C. isn't it?        D. hadn't we?

**Ans:- a**

**Explanation:-** Question tag and the sentence must be in the same tense.

4. one cannot be indifferent to one's health, can't one? [SSC AD-2014]

- A. can't be?        B. Can one?  
C. isn't it?        D. no improvement

**Ans:- B**

**Explanation:-** A **negative** statement is followed by a **positive** question tag and a **positive** statement is followed by a **negative** question tag.

5. When I came to your room yesterday,(A)/you were watching the T.V.,(B)/isn't it?(C)/ no error(D)

**Ans:- C (weren't you?) [SSC-VC2012]**

6. All people want to be happy, do they? [SSC-2016]

- A. don't they?        B. are they?  
C. didn't they?        D. No improvement

**Ans:- A**

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