

## Practice Sheet

Read the instructions carefully, and test whether or not you obtained a full understanding of using question marks.

### Exercise 1: Placing Question Marks Correctly

Read the following sentences carefully and determine whether the sentence is a direct question that requires a question mark. In case a question mark is needed, place it at the correct location. Find the correct answers on the solution sheet.

#### Examples

- What time is the meeting scheduled(?) (place a question mark here)
- I wonder what time the meeting is scheduled (No question mark here)

#### Practice Sentences

1. How many participants are expected to attend the conference\_\_
2. The professor asked if everyone had completed the assignment\_\_
3. Can anyone explain the difference between qualitative and quantitative research\_\_
4. Is it true that the seminar has been postponed until next month\_\_
5. She inquired whether the library would be open late during finals week\_\_
6. Did he mention when the research paper is due\_\_
7. I'm curious about what topics will be covered in tomorrow's lecture\_\_
8. It would be helpful to know how many pages the essay should be \_\_
9. What was the main argument of the author's thesis\_\_
10. Can you tell me what time the library closes\_\_
11. I wonder if the group meeting is scheduled for tomorrow \_\_
12. Did she say, "We need to leave now\_\_" \_\_
13. I can't believe he actually asked, "Will you marry me\_\_" \_\_
14. She asked, "Can you meet at 10 PM\_\_" \_\_
15. What did you mean by (Can you clarify this point\_\_)\_
16. I wonder if it's going to rain today (Check the weather forecast\_\_)\_
17. He whispered, "Do you think they heard us\_\_" \_\_
18. Is it true that she said, "I'll be moving to New York\_\_" \_\_
19. Can you believe he wondered, "Is this your first time skiing\_\_" \_\_
20. She couldn't answer the question (What is the capital of France\_\_)\_
21. He asked, "Have you seen my glasses\_\_" \_\_
22. Is it necessary to include a bibliography at the end of every research paper\_\_
23. How does photosynthesis work in plants\_\_
24. She asked whether the experiment would require additional resources\_\_
25. Do you know if the conference is open to undergraduate students\_\_
26. What impact does global warming have on marine ecosystems\_\_
27. Can anyone explain why the sky is blue\_\_
28. The instructor inquired if all students had submitted their essays\_\_

## Exercise 2: Multiple Choice Questions

Focusing on the topic of question marks. Including when to use them and the different types available, here's a set of questions designed to test and expand your knowledge. These questions cover the basics, as well as some more nuanced aspects of using question marks in writing. Check the correct answer in the solution sheet.

### Question 1

When is a question mark used?

- A. At the end of every sentence
- B. Only at the end of direct questions
- C. At the end of indirect questions
- D. After every sentence that contains the word "question"

### Question 2

Which of the following is an example of a direct question?

- A. She asked if I was going to the meeting
- B. Wondering what time the train leaves
- C. How many countries are in Europe
- D. They inquired whether the project was complete

### Question 3

What type of question mark is used in Spanish to indicate the beginning of a question?

- A. Inverted question mark
- B. Double question mark
- C. Standard question mark
- D. Reverted question mark

### Question 4

In which case might a question mark not be used at the end of a sentence in formal writing?

- A. When the sentence is a direct question
- B. When the sentence is an indirect question
- C. When the author is unsure about the information
- D. When asking about someone's well-being

### Question 5

Which of the following sentences correctly uses a question mark?

- A. I wonder if he will join us for dinner?

- B. Did she say, "We are leaving now?"
- C. Is it possible to see the Northern Lights tonight?
- D. They asked if it was going to rain today?

### Question 6

What is the purpose of the mirrored question mark in rhetorical questions?

- A. To indicate that an answer is required
- B. To express doubt or uncertainty
- C. To signal a question for which no answer is expected
- D. To mark the sentence as important

### Exercise 3: True or False?

Determine whether or not the following statements are true or false regarding question marks. Check the correct answers in the solution sheet.

#### Statement 1

An indirect question always ends with a question mark.

- A. True
- B. False

#### Statement 2

The use of question marks is the same in all languages.

- A. True
- B. False

#### Statement 3

When a quotation within a statement is a question, the question mark is placed inside the quotation mark.

- A. True
- B. False

#### Statement 4

When a question is enclosed by parentheses amidst a sentence, the question mark is placed inside the parentheses.

- A. True
- B. False

**Statement 5**

A rhetorical question does not end in a question mark because it doesn't demand an answer.

- A. True
- B. False

**Statement 6**

A question mark is used at the end of a declarative sentence to indicate the speaker's uncertainty.

- A. True
- B. False

**Statement 7**

A question mark should be placed after every sentence in a list if the list is introduced by a direct question.

- A. True
- B. False