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**Question words , asking questions, vocabulary and comprehension**

**1. Question words**

**How**

It is a very special question word. It's the only question word that doesn't start with W. **How** asks the manner (way of doing) of something.

Examples:

How was the math test?

**How** are classes going?

How is petroleum refined?

How was your exam?

**When**

Do you want to know what time something happened? Or what time something will happen? Then **when** is your word of choice (the one you should use).

Examples:

When did it happen?

**When** do I start?

**when was petroleum discovered?**

**Whose**: :

**Whose** jacket is this?

**Whose** birthday is today?

**Whose** pencil is on the floor?

**Whose** team is better?

**Where**:

It is ask about place

Examples:

**Where** did you go on vacation?

**“Whom” Who**

They are used to ask about people

**Who**

It is used to refer to the subject of a sentence or clause

Examples:

**Who** would like to go on vacation?

**Who** is the friendliest in the group?

**Whom**

It is used to refer to the object of a verb or preposition

Examples:

To **whom** was the letter addressed?

**Whom** do you believe?

**With whom** are you going to prom?

**Which**

It is a very specific (special, exact) question word. This is because it asks you to pick (choose, decide) between two different things. Think of **which** .

Examples:

Which car are we going in?

Which do you prefer?

Which museums did you visit?

Which kind of coal has the lowest carbon content?

Which of the following fuel (Liquid Fuel , Solid Fuel, and Gaseous Fuel emits out more smoke and ash on burning?

**What**

It is used to ask for information about people or things

Examples:

What is it?

What color is your dress?

What do you think about the weather?

What is Petroleum?

What are conventional and unconventional resources?

What is drilling rig?

**Why:**

It is ask about reasons

Why is the sky blue?

Why is the Earth round?

Why are you late?

**2. Asking questions**

To understand what makes a question great, it helps to know the different types of questions:

* Open-ended questions leave room for more discussion and demand more explanation, don’t allow the responder to give simple “Yes” or “No” answers or short responses.
* Follow-up questions let you pursue the topic and expand the conversation.
* Leading questions prompt a specific response and steer the conversation in a new direction.

Example: Didn’t you love the house with the big pool?

There isn’t a universal formula for asking great questions because it depends on the question asker and the context.