



QUESTION FORMS & INDIRECT QUESTIONS

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1. The Information Challenge	2. Question Detective
You are new in town. You need information. Turn each idea into a polite indirect question. - Find a pharmacy _____ - Find the nearest supermarket _____ - Find out what time the bus leaves _____ - Find out how much a taxi costs _____ - Find out where you can exchange money _____	Each question has a problem. Find it and correct it. - Where you do live? _____ - What did you bought? _____ - Can you tell me where is the bank? _____ - Do you know what time does it open? _____ - Why did she left early? _____ - Could you tell me where can I get a taxi?

3. The Interview Challenge

Work with a partner.

You are interviewing each other.

Ask questions about:

Work / study

- What do you do?
- Where do you work/study?
- How long have you been doing it?

Free time

- What do you enjoy doing?
- What do you usually do at weekends?
- What have you been doing recently?

Future

- What are you planning to do?
- Where would you like to travel?
- What do you hope to do next year?

You must ask at least **six questions**.

Your partner must ask at least **two follow-up questions**.

4. The Polite Question Role-Play

Choose one situation.

A – Tourist	B – New Employee	C – New Student
You are visiting a new city. You need information about: • buses • restaurants • shops • ATMs • tourist attractions Ask another student for information using indirect questions.	You have just started a new job. Ask a colleague about: • lunch • working hours • the manager • the office • meetings	You have just joined a school. Ask another student about: • classes • teachers • homework • the library • the cafeteria Try to use at least four indirect questions.

5. Final Challenge – Ask Me Anything

Your partner secretly chooses **one place**:

- a bank
- a restaurant
- a hotel
- a hospital
- a train station
- a school
- a shopping centre

You don't know which place they chose. 🙌

Ask questions to discover it.

You must use:

- 3 direct questions **and**
- 3 indirect questions

Example:

“What time does it open?”

“Could you tell me where it is?”

“Do you know how much it costs?”

When you think you know the place, say:

“I think you're talking about...”

REAL ENGLISH BOX – The Natural Finish

Here are some very useful ways to finish a polite question:

Could you tell me where it is?

Do you know what time it opens?

Can you tell me how much it costs?

Do you happen to know when it leaves?

And don't forget the magic words:

Excuse me...

Thanks.

A simple “Excuse me” + polite question + “Thanks” can make a conversation much easier.

Teacher's Key

1. Possible answers:

1. Could you tell me where the nearest pharmacy is?
2. Could you tell me where the nearest supermarket is?
3. Do you know what time the bus leaves?
4. Can you tell me how much a taxi costs?
5. Could you tell me where I can exchange money?

2. Question Detective

1. Where do you live?
2. What did you **buy**?
3. Can you tell me where **the bank is**?
4. Do you know what time **it opens**?
5. Why did she **leave early**?
6. Could you tell me where **I can get a taxi**?

3–5: Speaking activities. Accept grammatically correct questions and appropriate follow-up questions.