

1 Complete the direct questions.

- She asked me where the keys were.
‘Where are the keys?’
- She asked me if I wanted to go swimming on Sunday.
‘Do on Sunday?’
- They wanted to know how old I was.
‘How you?’
- The teacher asked if I had done my homework.
‘Have homework?’
- She asked me how often I went bowling.
‘How bowling?’
- She wondered whether we were taking an earlier train.
‘Are train?’

2 Match the sentence halves.

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| 1 Some tourists asked me where | A the shop closed. |
| 2 He asked me what time | B I preferred basketball. |
| 3 The police wanted to know why | C he'd stolen the bag. |
| 4 I wondered what | D you were doing here at this time. |
| 5 The PE teacher asked me why | E trophies I'd won. |
| 6 She asked how many | F the station was. |

3 Order the words to make the reported questions.

- ‘What school do you go to?’ (went / He / to / I / school / me / what / asked)
..... *He asked me what school I went to.*
- ‘Are you learning French?’ (French / whether / He / learning / me / I / asked / was)
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- ‘Where did you put my shoes?’ (put / wanted / know / She / to / shoes / I / had / where / her)
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- ‘Have you been to Berlin before?’ (The receptionist / Berlin / if / wondered / to / I / before / been / had)
.....
- ‘Are you in any sports clubs?’ (was / asked / I / sports / She / if / clubs / in / me / any)
.....
- ‘What’s the name of your school?’ (of / me / was / my / asked / The trainer / name / the / school / what)
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4 Underline the mistakes in the reported questions, and correct them.

- They wanted to know where was the station. *where the station was*
- She asked that if I have time to talk.
- My dad asked me why I no had phoned him.
- They wondered whether if I wanted to go skiing next week.
- My mum asked me if I have had fun yesterday.
- He asked me where can he buy a USB charger.

5 Put the questions in the emails in reported form.

- Do you want to go camping?
- Can I bring a friend?
- Who do you want to invite?
- How many days are you planning on going for?
- Do you have an extra sleeping bag?
- Which campsite is it?

Reply Forward

Subject: _____
From: _____
To: _____
Date: _____

Hi Olivia,

I was wondering ¹ if you wanted to go camping next month on the 12th? I asked my parents ² _____ (so I don't get bored) and, amazingly, they said yes. They asked me ³ _____ and, of course, I said you. Let me know!

Alexis

Reply Forward

Subject: _____
From: _____
To: _____
Date: _____

Hey Alexis,

I'd love to come. Can't wait! I spoke to my dad and he wanted to know ⁴ _____ – just the weekend? Longer? He also wondered ⁵ _____ as we can't find ours. Oh, and my mum asked ⁶ _____ – the same one you went to last time, with the pool?

Speak soon,

Olivia

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- 1 'Where are the keys?'
- 2 'Do you want to go swimming on Sunday?'
- 3 'How old are you?'
- 4 'Have you done your homework?'
- 5 'How often do you go bowling?'
- 6 'Are you taking an earlier train?'

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- 1 F
- 2 A
- 3 C
- 4 D
- 5 B
- 6 E

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- 1 *He asked me what school I went to.*
- 2 *He asked me whether I was learning French.*
- 3 *She wanted to know where I had put her shoes.*
- 4 *The receptionist wondered if I had been to Berlin before.*
- 5 *She asked me if I was in any sports clubs.*
- 6 *The trainer asked me what the name of my school was.*

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- 1 They wanted to know where was the station. *where the station was*
- 2 She asked that if I have time to talk. *if I had*
- 3 My dad asked me why I no had phoned him. *hadn't*
- 4 They wondered whether if I wanted to go skiing next week. *whether/if*
- 5 My mum asked me if I have had fun yesterday. *had / had had*
- 6 He asked me where can he buy a USB charger. *he could/can*

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- 1 *if you wanted to go camping*
- 2 *if I could/can bring a friend*
- 3 *who I wanted to invite*
- 4 *how many days you were/are planning on going for*
- 5 *if you had/have*
- 6 *which campsite it was*

Note: Sometimes the verbs can remain in the present tense (e.g. questions 2, 4 and 5) for those verbs which are still valid at the time of reporting. In question 2, *can* refers to a possibility or permission which continues all the way up to the trip, so either *could* or *can* are acceptable.