

What are Question Words (Wh-)?

Worksheet

Question words (wh-words) are used to ask open-ended questions that require specific information: who (person), what (thing), where (place), when (time), why (reason), how (manner), which (choice).

Questions

1. Which question word asks for a person?
A) What
B) Who
C) Where
D) When
2. What question word would you use to ask about the time?
A) Why
B) When
C) How
D) Which
3. 'Where do you work?' — What information is being asked?
A) A time
B) A place
C) A person
D) A reason
4. Wh-questions are used for...
A) Yes/No answers only
B) Specific information
C) One-word answers
D) Polite refusals
5. Who ate the cake?
6. Where do you live?
7. Why are you late?
8. Define: Who asks for what?
9. Define: What is used to ask about?
10. Define: Where asks for...?

Answer Key

1. B) Who — Who is used to ask about people.
2. B) When — When asks for specific times and dates.
3. B) A place — Where asks for locations.
4. B) Specific information — Wh-questions request detailed information, not simple yes/no.
5. Subject: Who Expected answer: A person's name Example: 'Tom ate the cake.'
6. Subject: Where Expected answer: A place Example: 'I live in London.'
7. Subject: Why Expected answer: A reason Example: 'Because I missed the bus.'
8. Who asks for the name or identity of a person.
9. What is used to ask about things, ideas, or activities.
10. Where asks for a location or place.

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