

## ٦٠ سوال من اختبار مهارات التحدث

### 1 The Sound of it: Understanding Intonation in Tag Questions

We often have a conversation with a sentence that includes a **tag question**. We add a "tag" to a sentence, and it becomes a question. **Our voice goes up on the tag if we aren't sure about the answers; it becomes a real question. Our voice goes down on the tag if we already know the answer and are making small talk.**

### 2 Pay attention to a speaker's intonation.

As you've seen, intonation in a tag question carries meaning. If the voice goes up, the person is unsure of the answer and is asking a **real question**. If the voice goes down, the person already knows the answer and is just making small talk.

Paying attention to intonation will help you better understand a speaker's meaning.

### 3 Asking Tag Questions

Notice the grammar in tag questions: **if the verb in the main clause is affirmative, the verb in the "tag" (last two words) is negative.**

Example:

It's warm today, isn't it?

**If the verb in the main clause is negative, the verb in the "tag" (last two words) is affirmative.**

Example:

It isn't very windy today, is it?

### Common Expressions in Conversation

Introducing Someone	Responses
- I'd like you to meet... - This is... a friend of mine (my brother, sister, etc.) - Have you met...?	Nice (Glad, Pleased) to meet you.
Ending a Conversation	
4 Well, I've got to run. Good-bye. See you later (Friday, etc.). Have a good day. Have a good weekend	I have to go now, but I'll see (call) you ... It's been good seeing you (talking to you). Talk to you soon. Keep in touch.
Expressing Thanks	Responses
Thanks. Thank you very much (so much) That was very kind of you, How thoughtful! I appreciate it. I'm very grateful.	You're welcome. Don't mention it.
Giving an Apology	Responses
I'm very sorry. Excuse me. Forgive me. It was my fault	No problem., 5 That's ok. That's all right. Don't worry about it. a

## Making prediction

### Situations

### What you can say

6 \_\_\_\_\_ by mistake, you just stepped on someone's foot.

- I am sorry.

\_\_\_\_\_ you are introducing a friend to your parents.

- \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ you're talking with a friend at school, but you need to leave because you have a class.

- \_\_\_\_\_

LONG FORM	REDUCTION	SHORT FORM
Do you have any pets?	You → ya	Do ya have any pets?
What's your name? 7	What's you → watcher	Watcher name?
Does this bus go to Geary Street?	Go to → goda	Does this bus goda Geary Street?
Do you want to see the kitchen?	Want to → wanna	Do you wanna see the kitchen?
You have to have exact change. 8	Have to → hafta	You hafta have exact change

## Vocabulary Match

Which definition on the right matches the word on the left? Write its letter on the line.

- 9 \_\_\_\_\_ b \_\_\_\_\_ 1. opportunities  
 \_\_\_\_\_ c \_\_\_\_\_ 2. to look down on someone  
 \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ 3. respected

- a. admired  
 b. possibilities, chances, to do something  
 c. to think badly of someone

عموما قاعدة الجيرند كانت مهمه  
 لازم تفهموها

## 10 Gerunds as Subjects



A gerund can be the **subject** of a sentence. It is always singular. Use a third-person singular verb after a gerund.

## Gerunds as Objects



A gerund can be the object of certain verbs.



**suggest**

verb      object  
I suggest **improving** our schools.

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**enjoy**

verb      object  
I enjoy **working** for the people.



## LANGUAGE YOU CAN USE: ASKING FOR CLARIFICATION

If you don't understand someone, it's important to ask a question for clarification. Here are some questions that you can ask:

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- Excuse me?
  - What was that again?
  - Could you repeat that?
  - How do you spell that?

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### The Sound of It: Understanding Intonation in Questions with *Or*

There are two kinds of questions with the word *or*: *yes/no* questions and *either/or* questions:

1. In *yes/no* questions, the answer is "Yes" or "No." The speaker's voice goes up two times.

Example: Question: Would you like coffee or tea?  
Answer: Yes, please.

2. In *either/or* questions, the answer is one of the two items from the question. The speaker's voice goes up on the first item and down on the second item.

Example: Question: Would you like coffee or tea?  
Answer: Tea, please.



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## Vocabulary Building

**Guessing Meaning from Context** You're going to hear one person tell a story about her first job. Before you listen, guess the meanings of the underlined words in the sentences below. These are words from the story.

- 14 1. The store detectives arrested the thief for trying to steal a jacket. They caught him at the exit before he could leave.
- 15 2. She's a shoplifter. She steals things from stores and puts them in her purse or under her coat.
3. He's a terrible racist. He doesn't like anyone who isn't the same race as he is.
4. I don't trust him. I simply don't believe he's telling the truth.
5. The child burst into tears. He suddenly started crying when he thought he was lost.
- 16 6. He's such a vain person. He's always looking at himself in the mirror and worrying about his appearance.

## LANGUAGE YOU CAN USE:

### EXPRESSING ENCOURAGEMENT

Express encouragement to someone who is telling a story to let the person know that you're interested in what he or she is saying. Here are some possible expressions:

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|---------|-----------|-------|
| Right.  | And?      | Wow.  |
| OK.     | Well?     | Gosh. |
| Really? | And then? |       |
| Yeah?   | And so?   |       |

In all cultures, there are questions that are common to ask a new acquaintance and other questions that people consider impolite.

People in the U.S. usually *don't* ask:

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- How old are you?
  - Are you married?
  - How much money do you make?

People in the U.S. frequently ask:

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- What do you do?  
(What kind of work?)
  - Where are you from?





## LANGUAGE LEARNING STRATEGY

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Listen especially for stressed words when people speak. In English, people stress (emphasize) the important words in a sentence. If you understand the stressed words, you can usually understand the important information.

How do you know which words are stressed? They are *higher* (the voice goes up), *louder*, and *clearer* than the other words. Listen for the “mountains” in speech—not the “valleys.” The meaning of a sentence can change if the stress changes.



Examples: I *LIKED* Anna (but I don't like her now).

I liked *ANNA* (but I didn't like her brother).

I liked Anna (but other people didn't).

## FUTURE PLANS

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When you talk about future plans and intentions, use *be going to* + verb.

Examples: I'm going to go to college.

He's going to become a lawyer.

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When you talk about future predictions, use *be going to* + verb or *will* + verb.

Examples: She's going to work with animals.

They'll live here for a few years.

I won't retire for another twenty years.

Long Form		Reduction
What do you do?	23	what do you → whadaya
What are you doing?		what are you → whatcha
What kind of childhood was it?	24	kind of → kinda
What did you do?		did you → didja
What did he do?	25	did he → didee
They used to live here.		used to → yoosta
I'm going to buy a house.		going to → gonna

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|------------------|----------------|---|
| _____ i _____    | 1. youngster   | a. a situation in which a person is not well-known, not famous          |
| _____            | 2. omnipresent | b. a very poor neighborhood   |
| _____            | 3. monotony    | c. the feeling of wanting something that another person has             |
| _____            | 4. envy        | d. to wait; to not give up  |
| _____ g _____    | 5. chum        | e. sameness; unchanging, boring time                                    |
| _____            | 6. obscurity   | f. a book or movie that continues a story from a previous book or movie |
| _____            | 7. sequel      | g. friend   |
| 26 _____ b _____ | 8. slum        | h. always present   |
| 27 _____ d _____ | 9. to hang on  | i. child  |

### Dialogue:

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C. May we see the menu, please?

W. Sure, here it is.

W. Can I take your order?

C. Yes, I'd like a hamburger and a milkshake.

W. How about you?

C. I'd like a ham sandwich.

W. (Would you like) anything to drink?

C. No, thank you. Just water.

### The Sound of It: Listening for Stressed Words— Can or Can't?



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In the interviews about stress and health habits, you heard several examples of *can* and *can't*. Listen to the examples again:

Person 1: I lie awake at night . . . can't go to sleep, thinking or worrying. Then I'm tired the next day, and I can't think clearly.

Person 2: I can eat and eat and eat . . . anything.

Person 3: I start smoking more—one cigarette after another. Just can't stop.

Person 4: I can't eat.

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Here are some more examples. Listen to the difference in stress:

I can RIDE a BIKE.

I CAN'T RIDE a BIKE.

He can RIDE a HORSE.

He CAN'T RIDE a HORSE.

### Why do we use modals?

We use modals to talk about obligations, suggestions, advise and expectations!

**There are two kinds of modals:**

- 30 1. **Simple modals** : for the present and future  
2. **Perfect modals**: to show necessity in the **past tense**.

What? Would you explain this please?



### 31 Perfect modals: past افهموها

**Modal** + **have** + **past participle**

### 32 Showing strong necessity:

**Must**.....I **must** go to sleep!

**Have to**.....I **have to** go to sleep!

**Have got to**...I **have got to** go to sleep!

### 33 What are participles?

A participle is a form of a verb that functions as an **adjective**.

#### Participles used as adjectives

**Examples :**

Present participles are usually active

34 1a. The **boring** teacher talked for hours.

35 1b. The **bored** students fell asleep.

Past participles are usually passive

36 2a. I read an **interesting** magazine yesterday.

2b. The magazine receives a lot of support from **interested** readers.

### 37 Could or might are more gentle than should....

You **could** read a book.  
 They **might** like the movie.  
 We **could** buy some candy.  
 I **might** play basketball.  
 He **could** win your blue marble.

#### LONG FORM

She made a lot of friends.  
 He had lots of problems.  
 He wasn't able to relax.  
 Could you help me with this?  
 I'll see you later.  
 Do you know her?  
 Do you know him?  
 I was hurt and angry.

#### REDUCTION

38 lot of → lotta  
 lots of → lotsa  
 to → ta  
 could you → cudja  
 you → ya  
 her → er  
 him → im  
 and → n

#### SHORT FORM

She made a lotta friends.  
 He had lotsa problems.  
 He wasn't able ta relax.  
 Cudja help me with this?  
 I'll see ya later.  
 Do you know er?  
 Do you know im?  
 I was hurt n angry.

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In American English, you'll sometimes hear the expression: "Two's company; three's a crowd." This refers to a situation in which there are three people together—maybe two close friends and a much younger

brother or sister. The close friends would prefer to be alone with each other. Do you have an expression for this in your language?



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unique      notion      data      version      slang  
shortcuts      competitive      database      trio      look down on

1. Researchers are collecting \_\_\_\_\_ for their study of changing language in Singapore.
2. There are some words that are \_\_\_\_\_ to Singapore. You can't find these words in any other country.
3. In some societies, people \_\_\_\_\_ those who don't use the language well.
4. It's usually fine to use \_\_\_\_\_ when you're talking with friends, but it's not usually a good idea to use such language in a formal situation.
5. An unhappy \_\_\_\_\_ sat at the table next to ours in the restaurant: a young man, a young woman, and a very noisy little boy.
6. That's an interesting \_\_\_\_\_. Let's discuss this idea at our meeting next week.
7. An American might say, "We started the project together, but then John left me holding the bag." (This means that I had to take responsibility for finishing the project.) The British \_\_\_\_\_ of the same idiom is "holding the *baby*."
8. A group of friends sometimes uses \_\_\_\_\_ to communication. They can express some big ideas in just a few words.
9. They added their information to the large \_\_\_\_\_ in the university computer.



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It's not very polite to call a woman *lady*.  
Miss is much more polite. *Ma'am* is for  
older women. You can call a man *sir*, but

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it's not polite to call a man *mister* without  
his last name.

### Vocabulary Match

For each expression on the left, find the expression on the right with the same meaning. Write its letter on the line.

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  b   1. Excuse me.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. to transfer

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. dollar bills

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  C   4. exact change

a. paper money

b. Pardon me.

c. correct amount of coins

d. to change



**A**void making stereotypes. Keeping your mind open will help you learn more about other cultures. A stereotype is a generalization about a group of people. The idea may be wrong, but many people believe it. It's common to form stereotypes of a new culture, but it's important to remain open to the possibility that your first

These are some words that you'll hear in the lecture. Match each word on the left with its meaning on the right. Write the letter on the line. Use a dictionary if necessary.

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| <u>F</u> 1. misconception | a. not different; almost the same         |
| <u>d</u> 2. homesickness  | b. change                                 |
| <u>b</u> 3. transition    | c. very sad                               |
| <u>e</u> 4. stage         | d. feeling of sadness, of missing a place |
| _____ 5. expert           | e. step; period of time                   |
| _____ 6. similar          | f. mistaken idea                          |
| _____ 7. depressed        | g. person who knows a lot about a subject |

#### Quick Quiz: Some Customs In the United States

- 49 1. Someone tells you, "That's a nice sweater." You say:  
☒ a. Thank you.  
 b. Oh, not really. It's very old.  
 c. Would you like it?
- 50 2. Your teacher sometimes sits on her desk. You think:  
 a. She's not polite.  
 b. She's not very serious about teaching.  
☒ c. It's not strange.
- 51 3. Someone has invited you to a party at 8:00. It's probably best to arrive:  
☒ a. a few minutes before 8:00  
 b. at 8:00 exactly  
 c. a few minutes after 8:00
- 52 4. You have a business appointment for 10:30. It's probably best to arrive:  
☒ a. at 10:25 to 10:30.  
 b. at 10:35 to 10:45.  
 c. at 11:00.
- 53 5. You go out to lunch with an American friend. Who pays?  
 a. Your friend pays because lunch was his suggestion.  
☒ b. You both pay.  
 c. You pay because you're a little older than your friend.

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Pay attention to people's intonation, not just their words. In English, people show emotion with intonation. When they are enthusiastic (**excited**) or very happy, **their voices go up on stressed words**. There are more "mountains" and "valleys" in their speech:

It's really wonderful.



When people are *not* very enthusiastic or happy, their voices usually don't go up. In the example below, the person *says* "It's really wonderful," but probably doesn't truly think so:

It's really wonderful.

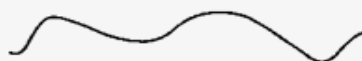


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When a person likes another person and wants to be friendly, the voice usually goes up:

Oh, hi. How are you?



When a person does not feel very friendly toward another person, the voice does not usually go up:

Oh, hi. How are you?



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C. Sometimes a person thinks that the answer to a question will be "no," but that person isn't right. How do you answer?

Example: Question: You don't have one?

Answer: Yes, I do.

It's very important to stress the affirmative verb in the answer (*do* in the example). Ask and answer Questions 1–10 from the previous exercise. This time, Person B will answer "yes" and correct Person A.

### Most Common Prefixes

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1. Anti = against : anti-war
2. De = opposite : destroy
3. Dis\* = not, **opposite** of : disagree
4. En(m) = cause to : encode, embrace
5. Fore = before : forecast
6. In(m) = in : intake, implant
7. Inter = between : interact

### Most Common Prefixes

- 58 8. Mid = Middle : Midway  
9. Mis = Wrongly : Mistake  
10. Non = Not : Nonsense  
11. Over = Over : Overlook  
12. Pre = Before : Preview  
13. Re\* = Again : Return  
14. Semi = Half : Semicircle

### Most Common Suffixes

8. -ful = full of : careful, joyful  
59 9. -ic = having property of : linguistic  
10. -ing\* = present participle : running  
11. -(t)ion = act, process : action  
12. -(i)ty = state of : infinity, sanity  
13. -(t)ive = adjective : motive, votive  
14. -less = without : fearless, careless

- 60 سوال جاء وش الفايده من تعلم الريدكيشن ؟  
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الجواب الصحيح.