

Do you enjoy quiz shows? (question tags)

1. Discuss the questions.

- What would you say is general knowledge? What are some general knowledge facts?
- Which statement best describes your general knowledge?
 - I know enough.
 - I have good general knowledge because I remember facts on different subjects from school.
 - It would be great to know more.
- How good are you at geography? Do you find geography interesting?

2. Watch a [video](https://youtu.be/4E0BsSo93HI) [https://youtu.be/4E0BsSo93HI] in which people answer three geography questions and say if you think they are general knowledge questions.

3. Match the halves to create sentences (statement + question tag).

STATEMENTS:

- A. The driest place in the world is in the Atacama Desert,
- B. The driest place in the world isn't in the Atacama Desert,
- C. The Nile doesn't run through Sudan,
- D. *The Lord of the Rings* wasn't filmed in New Zealand,
- E. There are 30 stars on the US flag,
- F. Mount Everest will probably be higher in the future,

QUESTION TAGS:

- 1. won't it?
- 2. isn't it?
- 3. aren't there?
- 4. does it?
- 5. was it?
- 6. is it?

4. Look at the sentences in ex. 3 again and tick the rules of using and forming question tags.

- A. We use question tags when we are sure that we are right.
- B. We use question tags when we are not sure if we are right.
- C. The tag is always in the same tense as the verb in the statement.
- D. The tag is sometimes in a different tense to the verb in the statement.
- E. The statement and the tag are both positive or both negative.
- F. If the verb in the statement is positive, the tag needs to be negative (and vice versa).

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5. Match the answers below with the sentences in ex. 3.

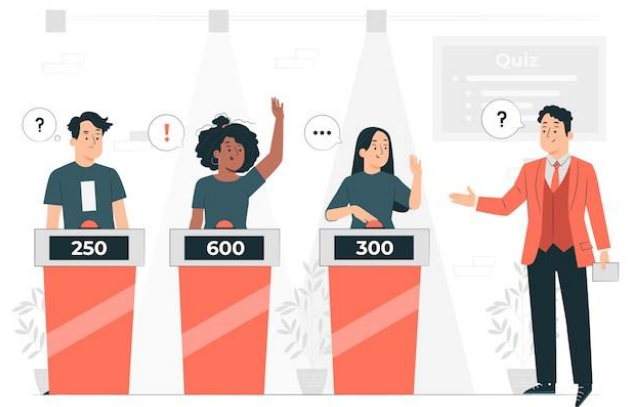
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| 1. No, there aren't. | 3. Yes, it does. | 5. Yes, it will. |
| 2. Yes, it is. | 4. Yes, it was. | 6. Yes, it is. |

6. Complete the gaps with question tags. Then, answer the questions.

- A. The capital city of Australia is Melbourne, _____ ?
- B. The name of the highest mountain in North America has recently been changed, _____ ?
- C. Polar bears don't live in Antarctica, _____ ?
- D. The Summer Olympics won't be held in 2030, _____ ?
- E. The citizens of Uzbekistan are called Uzbekistanis, _____ ?
- F. World War II started in 1938, _____ ?
- G. Serena Williams wasn't a professional swimmer, _____ ?

7. Discuss the questions.

- Think of a specific quiz show similar to the one in the picture:
 - What are the rules of the game?
 - What can contestants win?
- Have you ever considered or would you consider participating in a quiz show? Why/Why not?
- What could be some strategies to win a quiz show?
- Do you consider quiz shows to be purely entertainment or can they also be educational? Why?
- How often do you do quizzes or play games that test your general knowledge?



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8. Answer the questions from the quiz by matching the answers. Then, use question tags to tell your partner what the answers are.

EXAMPLE: *There are four time zones in Brazil, aren't there?/There aren't four time zones in Brazil, are there?*

A. How many time zones do these countries have?

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| 1. Brazil | A. three |
| 2. Canada | B. four |
| 3. Australia | C. six |

B. How long have these countries been independent?

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| 1. Bolivia | A. since 1825 |
| 2. the US | B. since 1947 |
| 3. India | C. since 1776 |

C. What type of flag do these countries have?

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| 1. France | A. flag with a circular shape |
| 2. South Korea | B. flag with a cross |
| 3. Sweden | C. flag with stripes |

D. Where are these species from?

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| 1. alpacas | A. Africa |
| 2. giant pandas | B. China |
| 3. hyenas | C. South America |

E. Which actor starred in which film?

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| 1. Salma Hayek | A. <i>The Shawshank Redemption</i> |
| 2. Morgan Freeman | B. <i>Frida</i> |
| 3. Jennifer Lawrence | C. <i>The Hunger Games</i> |

F. Which sports did these people play professionally?

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| 1. Lisa Leslie | A. football |
| 2. Roger Federer | B. basketball |
| 3. Zinedine Zidane | C. tennis |

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9. You are going to play a game based on the quiz show *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?*. Read the rules of the game. If you are unsure about a rule, use a question tag to check with your teacher.

EXAMPLE: *You are going to read the question with four answers to us, aren't you?*

You are going to answer questions by choosing the correct answer from a list of four. Each question is worth more points than the previous one (question 1 – 1 point, question 2 – 2 points, etc.). You get one extra point if you provide the answer in the form of a question tag, e.g. *The capital of Poland is Warsaw, isn't it?* (if you think the capital of Poland is Warsaw).

If you fail to answer a question correctly, you lose all your points and the game ends. At any point in the game you can withdraw and keep the points you gained in previous rounds. There are five rounds (each with a question). The contestant (or the team) who ends the game with the highest number of points, wins.