French 1B: Unit 4 Oh the Places You’ll Go
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**French Question Words**

Fill in the French questions words:

 (with) Who (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ When \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 What \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Why \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 (at the beginning of the sentence)

 What \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ How \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 (at the end of the sentence)

 Which \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ At what time \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Where \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ How many \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

In French most question words (or “interrogative expressions”) go at the **beginning/front of the sentence** and are **followed by** “**est-ce que**” (or **est-ce qu’** in front of a vowel) to make a sentence into a question.

EX: He goes = Il va. 🡪 **Where** does he go? = **Où est-ce qu’**il va?

* **When** does he go? = **À quelle heure est-ce qu’**il va?

 Vous aimez = Y’all like 🡪 **What** do y’all like? = **Qu’est-ce que** vous aimez?

 Elle parle = She’s talking 🡪 **Who** is she talking **with**? = **Avec qui est-ce qu’**elle parle?

 Tu sais. = You know 🡪 **How** do you know? = **Comment est-ce que** tu sais?

**\*\* est-ce que is always followed by a SUBJECT and NEVER A VERB**

**You don’t need est-ce que if the next word after the question word is a verb.**

 Combien de chats **est-ce qu’il** a?Combien de personnes **sont** contents?

 Quand **est** ton anniversaire?

If you move what (qu’est-ce que) to the end of the sentence then it becomes “quoi”.

 What do you like? = **Qu’est-ce que** tu aimes? You like what? = Tu aimes **quoi**?

 What does he eat? = **Qu’est-ce qu’**il mange? He eats what? = Il mange **quoi**?

The other question words do not change at the end of a sentence:

 **Quand est-ce qu’**il va? 🡪 Il va **quand**?

 **Avec qui est-ce qu’**elle parle? 🡪 Elle parle **avec qui**?

Question words can be used by themselves or you can put “ça” after them to say “that”:

 Where is that? 🡪 C’est où **ça**?

 When is that? 🡪C’est quand **ça**?

**Practice:**

You overhear some people talking on a public phone. Based on their answers decide which question they were asked.

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ “Nous allons jouer au foot.”
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ “À huit heures et quart.”
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ “Avec Marie-Hélène et Amina.”
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ “Devant le stade.”

Now try writing these sentences:

1. Who does he talk with?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Who is talking with the boy? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Why is he sad?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Where does he go?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Where is the boy? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Who does she like?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Who gives the chocolate to the boy? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. At what time are you going?

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At what time is the movie? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_