Asking question

In English, there are two types of question: Ausciliary questions (yes, no) and WH questions.

1/Ausciliary questions

Example : He writes many poems

• **Does** he write many poems?

He wrote many poems.

• **Did** he write many poems ?

Main changes of tenses :

TENSES	MAIN RULE	
	Aux + Subj + V + C	
	\downarrow	\downarrow
Present Simple	Do/Does	inf
Past Simple	Did	inf
Present Continues	Am/is/are	V+ing
Past Continues	Was/Were	V+ing
Present Perfect	Have/Has	past participle(p.p)
Past Perfect	Had	past participle(p.p)
future	Will	inf

2/ WH Questions

WH Questions : (what, when , where, who, why , how, how long, how often)

Example:

The children play football in the garden.

Where do the children play football ?.

Where: interrogative pronoun.

Do the children play football: main rule.

Note: who (subject) who+ rest of the sentence.

Example:

the mechanic repairs the car.

Who repairs the car?

What: verbs, jobs, things.

Where: places (at home, at school, at university).

When: time (yesterday, tonight, tomorrow,)

Why: the cause or the reason (because).

How: adjectives or adverbs (happy, slowly, angry).

How long ago: a past period an hour ago.

How often: once, twice, always, and sometimes.

Examples : in auxiliary questions.

- 1- She has studied English for two years. \rightarrow Has she studied English for two years?
- 2- It is raining hard today. \rightarrow Is i training hard today?
- 3- He plays foot ball every day.
 - \rightarrow Does he play football every day?
- 4- They will leave at 9 tomorrow. \rightarrow Will they leave at 9 tomorrow?
- 5- I visited Annaba last day. \rightarrow Do you visit Annaba last day?
- 6- They were eating when she arrived. \rightarrow Were they eating when she arrived?
- 7- My mother had prepared a cake.
 - \rightarrow Had your mother prepared a cake?

Examples : in WH questions.

- 1- **They** were watching tv.
 - \rightarrow Who were watching tv ?
- 2- She gave her a present yesterday. \rightarrow when did she give her a present ?
- 3- He has met his friend **outside the cinema**. \rightarrow where has he met his friend ?
- 4- Asma did not go to school because she was very ill. \rightarrow Why did not Asma go to school?
- 5- He was looking at her curiously. \rightarrow Ho was looking at her?
- 6- She practices sport twice a week. \rightarrow How often does she practice sport?
- 7- I watched a football much last night. \rightarrow What did you watch last night?