

SSLC Second Language English-Grammar Section

FRAMING QUESTIONS

Here we shall learn how to frame a question so as to get the underlined words as the answer.

In the question paper, a statement will be given with some words underlined. You have to frame a question to get those underlined words as the answer. Here too you will have to find out the Auxiliary verb in the sentence.

am, is, are, was, were, do, does, did, have, has, had, shall, should, will, would, can, could, may, might, must, ought to, need, dare, used to are the Auxiliary verbs.

Place the Auxiliary at the beginning of the sentence and you get a 'yes/no' question. Add a suitable 'wh' word (who, when, why, which, what, how, how many, how much, how long etc) and you get the 'wh' question. If there is no auxiliary verb in the given statement, use do/does/did accordingly. (eat= do+eat, eats= does+eat, ate= did+eat)

Study the following:

1. We can see a number of children at an ice cream parlour.

[Here 'can' is the auxiliary verb. The underlined part is an answer to the question 'where']

(Can we see a number of children?)

Ans: Where can we see a number of children?

2. They are planning to hold a party on 25 November.

[are, when]

(Are they planning to hold a party?)

Ans: When are they planning to hold a party?

3. Ambedkar bought books by curtailing his daily needs.

[did, how]

Ans: How did Ambedkar buy books?

4. She earns her living by giving tuitions.

[does, how]

Ans: How does she earn her living?

5. He managed to eat 12 cakes.

[did, how many cakes]

Ans: How many cakes did he manage to eat?

6. The drivers have gathered in front of the Vidhana Soudha.

[have, where]

Ans: Where have the drivers gathered?

Note: If the subject in the sentence is underlined, you need not search for the auxiliary verb.

7. Her answer made the teacher angry?

[what]

Ans: What made the teacher angry?

8. Dr. Karanth wrote the Chomana Dudi.
[who]

Ans: Who wrote the Chomana Dudi?

9. She is upset because she has lost her admission ticket.

[is, why]

Ans: Why is she upset?

10. 250 litres of acid is kept in this barrel.

[is, how much acid]

Ans: How much acid is kept in this barrel?

11. The programme begins at 5 p.m..

(does, at what time)

Ans: At what time does the programme begin?

12. They decided to publish this paper in Mumbai because printing is cheap there.

[did, why]

Ans: Why did they decide to publish this paper in Mumbai?

13. She chose the blue skirt.

[did, which skirt]

Ans: Which skirt did she choose?

14. They won the match by bribing the umpire.

[did, how]

Ans: How did they win the match?

15. Smitha listened to the concert for twenty minutes.

[did, how long]

Ans: How long did Smitha listen to the concert?

16. The Home Minister has gone to Delhi to meet the P.M.

[has, why]

Ans: Why has the Home Minister gone to Delhi?

17. The grandma could not come down because she was very weak.

[could, why]

Ans: Why could the grandma not come down?

18. The Indian team could make 267 runs in yesterday's match.

[could, how many runs]

Ans: How many runs could India make in yesterday's match?

19. The maid was cleaning the room with phenyl and bleaching powder.

[was, how]

Ans: How was the maid cleaning the room?

20. He lives in a big bungalow.

[does, where]

Ans: Where does he live?

Questions from old question papers:

1. Anupama sings melodiously. (April 2020)

Ans: How does Anupama sing?

2. The religion teaches liberty, equality and fraternity. (Sept 2020)

Ans: What does the religion teach?

3. Raghu went to Mysore to meet his friend. (March 2021)

Ans: Why did Raghu go to Mysore?

4. He goes to school at nine o' clock. (Supplementary 2021)

Ans: At what time does he go to school?

5. The students played hockey. (Model 2023)

Ans: What did the students play?

6. He went to the bank to deposit money. (Model 2024)

Ans: Why did he go to the bank?

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