Question words and phrases

Introduction

Who? What? When? Where? Why? How? How old? What time? How long? How often? How much? How many?

Definition

We use question words to ask for information.

Construction

Question word or phrase +	**'to be' +**	**subject**
What	**is**	**it?**

Note that

Who's = who is

What's = what is

When's = when is

Where's = where is

Why's = why is

How's = how is

'to be'	(Modal) auxiliary verbs	Other verbs
Question phrase + 'to be' + subject	**Question phrase + auxiliary + subject + verb**	**Question phrase + 'to do' + subject + verb**
How long is it?	**How long will it take?**	**How long do you spend on the train?**

Examples