



Question Words

We make some questions with question words like *who* or *where*.

We can use these words to make questions:

who, where, what, when, whose, why, which and how

What's this?

It's a postcard from my friend, Makiko.

Where is she?

She is visiting Sydney.

We can use the question words *what, whose* and *which* with a noun.

Which part of Japan is Makiko from?

Osaka.

What places did she visit in Sydney?

The zoo, the Opera House and the shops.

We can use *how* with an adverb.

How often do you see Makiko?

Not very often. But we email once a week.

We can use *how* with an adjective.

How old is Makiko?

She's twenty. She'll be twenty one next month.



Note from Wolfie: "This Worksheet fits in well with the Elementary Weekly Warmer Find My Partner."

Exercise: Read two parts of an interview with Makiko, a student. Complete the gaps with the correct question word from the brackets.

Part One

Teacher: Hi Makiko. 1. (*where / how / why*) _____ are you?

Makiko: I'm fine, thanks.

Teacher: 2. (*where / how / why*) _____ are you from?

Makiko: I'm from Osaka in Japan.

Teacher: 3. (*when / what / which*) _____ did you arrive in Australia?

Makiko: I came here three months ago. Australia is very beautiful. I did some traveling last month.

Teacher: 4. (*where / whose / why*) _____ did you go?

Makiko: I went to Sydney and Melbourne.

Teacher: 5. (*how / what / when*) _____ did you do in Sydney?

Makiko: I took a boat ride and I saw the Harbor Bridge. I went to the zoo. The Australian animals are very interesting.

Teacher: 6. (*why / which / when*) _____ animal is your favorite?

Makiko: The koala. The koala is very sleepy and cute....

Part Two

Teacher: 7. (*where / how / why*) _____ are you studying English in Australia?

Makiko: Because I want to study at an Australian university. When I pass my English test, I can go to university.

Teacher: 8. (*how / what / when*) _____ course do you want to do?

Makiko: I want to study marketing.

Teacher: 9. (*when / what / why*) _____ did you choose Brisbane?

Makiko: Because the weather is very good. It is very cold in Melbourne. Brisbane is also a smaller city.

Teacher: 10. (*when / how / who*) _____ will you go back to Osaka?

Makiko: I will go back to Osaka next month.

Answers: Part One: 1. How, 2. Where, 3. When, 4. Where, 5. What, 6. Which. Part Two: 7. Why, 8. What, 9. Why, 10. When.

