

ENGLISH GRAMMAR 1 ELEMENTARY LEVEL

Unit 47 – What...? Which...? How...? (Question 4)





A CÁCH DÙNG TỪ ĐỂ HỎI "WHAT"

What + noun (What colour ...? / What kind ...? etc.)

- Ex1: What color is your car?
- Ex2: What size is this shirt?
- Ex3: What time is it?
- Ex4: What kind of job do you want?

(or What type of job ...? / What sort of job ...?)

What without a noun:

- Ex8: What's your favourite colour?
- Ex9: What do you want to do tonight?

- Ex5: What color are your eyes?
- Ex6: What make is your TV?
- Ex7: What day is it today?



CÁCH DÙNG TỪ ĐỂ HỎI "WHICH" VÀ "WHO"

Which + noun (things or people):

- Ex10: Which train did you catch the 9.50 or the 10.30?
- Ex11: Which doctor did you see Doctor Ellis, Doctor Gray or Doctor Hill?

We use which without a noun for things, not people:

Ex12: Which is bigger - Canada or Australia?

We use who for people (without a noun):

Ex13: Who is taller - Joe or Gary? (not Which is taller?)



C SO SÁNH CÁCH DÙNG CỦA "WHAT" VÀ "WHICH"

We use which when we are thinking about a small number of possibilities (perhaps 2, 3 or 4):

- Ex14: We can go this way or that way.
 Which way shall we go?
- Ex15: There are four umbrellas here.
 - Which is yours?

What is more general:

- Ex16: What's the capital of Argentina? (of all the cities in Argentina)
- Ex17: What sort of music do you like? (of all kinds of music)

Compare:

- Ex18A: What color are his eyes? (not Which color?)
 - Ex18B: Which color do you prefer, pink or yellow?
- Ex19A: What is the longest river in the world?
 - Ex19B: Which is the longest river the Mississippi, the Amazon or the Nile?







CÁCH DÙNG TỪ ĐỂ HỎI "HOW"

- Ex20: 'How was the party last night?' 'It was great.'
- Ex21: 'How do you usually go to work?' 'By bus.'

You can use how + adjective/adverb (how tall / how old / how often etc.):

■ Ex22:	tall are you?'	'l'm 1 meter 70.'
■ Ex23:	big is the house?'	'Not very big.'
■ Ex24:	old is your mother?'	'She's 45.'
Ex25: 'How	far is it from here to the airport?'	'Five kilometers.'
• Ex26:	often do you use your car?'	'Every day.'
• Ex27:	long have they been married?'	'Ten years.'
■ Ex28:	much was the meal?'	'Thirty pounds.'