

LESSON 2

**GOAL** Ask about an article

**CONVERSATION MODEL**

**A** Read and listen to someone asking about an article.

A: Is that this month's *Car Magazine*?

B: Yes, it is.

A: Could you tell me where you bought it? I can't find it anywhere.

B: At the newsstand across the street. But I think it's sold out.


A: Too bad. There's an article in there about SUVs. I'm dying to read it.

B: I can understand why. It was really interesting. Listen. Take my copy. I'm done with it.

A: Are you sure?

B: Definitely.

**B** **RHYTHM AND INTONATION** Listen again and repeat. Then practice the Conversation Model with a partner.



**GRAMMAR** Noun clauses: Embedded questions

A question can be embedded in a noun clause. Use if to begin an embedded yes / no question.

**Yes / no questions**

Is that magazine interesting?

Did he like the article?

Have you finished that newspaper?

**Embedded yes / no questions**

Tell me **if that magazine is interesting.**

I'd like to know **if he liked the article.**

Could you tell me **if you've finished that newspaper?**

Use a question word to begin embedded information questions.

**Information questions**

What's the article about?

Why have you decided to read it?

Who's the writer?

Whose magazine is it?

When was it written?

Where is the writer from?

**Embedded information questions**

I can't remember **what the article's about.**

I don't understand **why you've decided to read it.**

I wonder **who the writer is.**

I'm not sure **whose magazine it is.**

I don't know **when it was written.**

Do you know **where the writer is from?**

**Be careful!**

Use normal word order (not question word order) in embedded questions.

Don't say: I wonder who is the writer. Do you know where is the writer from?

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- Embedded questions:
  - with whether
  - usage and common errors
  - punctuation

**Punctuation**

If an embedded question is ...

- within a statement, use a period.
- with a question, use a question mark.

**A FIND THE GRAMMAR** Find and underline two embedded questions in the Photo Story on page 39.

**B GRAMMAR PRACTICE** Change the questions to embedded questions.

1 Does her daughter like to read?

I wonder .....

2 Where did you get that magazine?

Could you tell me ..... ?

3 Is he a Bill Bryson fan?

I'd like to know .....

4 Why don't you read newspapers?

I don't understand .....

5 Who told her about your article?

I forgot .....

6 When did I see the new website?

I can't remember .....

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**GRAMMAR PRACTICE** Complete the chart. Look at a partner's chart. Use embedded questions to learn more about your partner's likes and dislikes.

My favorite magazines


Some magazines I don't like

My favorite sections of the newspaper


Newspaper sections I don't like

**Teach me why you like to read photography magazines. ??**

**Could you tell me which sections of the newspaper you like to read online? ??**

**Newspaper sections**

the international news section

the local news section

the sports section

the entertainment section

the business section

the food section

the travel section

**HOW YOU CAN** Ask about an article

**A CONVERSATION ACTIVATOR** With a partner, change the Conversation Model, using a magazine or newspaper you know. Use a different adjective. Then change roles.

A: Is that ..... ?

B: Yes, it is.

A: Could you tell me where you bought it? I can't find it anywhere.

B: ..... But I think it's sold out.

A: Too bad. There's an article in there about ..... I'm dying to read it.

B: I can understand why. It was ..... Listen. Take my copy. I'm done with it.

A: Are you sure?

B: .....

**DON'T STOP!**

Ask more questions about the article.

**B CHANGE PARTNERS** Ask about another magazine or newspaper.

**Adjectives to describe an article**

amazing

excellent

exciting

fantastic

fascinating

funny

inspiring

interesting

thought-provoking



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