

Introduce yourself. Tell where you are from and where you live now. Tell how long you have lived in the U.S. Tell how long you plan to stay in the U.S.

HOW QUESTIONS

How far is it? How far is it to...?

Jess: How far is it to the library?

Sara: It's not far. It's just a few blocks away. You can walk there.

Sandra: I always walk to the park in the evening.

Bill: How far is it?

Sandra: Not far. It's about two miles.

How long is it? How long is the...? How long does it take to...?

Jen: How long is the flight to China?

Kim: It's a 16 hour flight to Shanghai.

Bess: How long is this movie?

Kay: It's about two hours.

Tammy: It's a long drive to Dallas.

Beth: How long is it?

Tammy: It's almost four hours.

Len: How long does it take to get to Dallas?

Lisa: About four hours by car. But you can fly in less than an hour.

Tara: How long does it take to get downtown?

Sally: It takes a long time. I have to take two buses. Sometimes it takes two hours.

Other How long questions:

Kara: How long have you lived here?

Chen: I've lived here for one year.

Stu: How long will you stay here?

Tara: We will stay for one more month.

Tim: Mommy, how long until Christmas.

Mommy: Christmas is in seven months.

How often do you...?

Jo: How often do you go to English class?

Linda: I go twice a week.

Kat: How often does it rain here?

Deb: Not very often.

Sam: How often do you have to renew your visa?

Cal: I have to renew it every six months.

How much?

Lara: How much is the blue dress?

Salesperson: The blue dress is seventy five dollars.

Lara: Oh, that's too much. I can't afford that! How much is the green one?

Salesperson: The green dress is on sale. It is only forty five dollars.

Lara: Oh, that's much better. I can afford that.

Doctor: How much coffee do you drink in a day?

Kendra: I drink eight to ten cups a day.

Doctor: That's too much coffee. That much caffeine isn't good for you. Try to cut back.

Kendra: I will try to drink less.

How many?

Pat: How many times do I take this medicine?

Nurse: Take it three times a day for fourteen days.

Pat: How many pills do I take each time?

Nurse: Take one pill three times a day.

Wendy: How many children do you have?

Amy: I have two children. I have one daughter and one son.

Wendy: How about you? How many do you have?

Amy: I don't have any children. I'm not married.

Joy: How many students are in your English class?

Tam: I'm not sure. Sometimes we have ten or twelve. Other times we have four or five.

Discuss: (Teachers, answer the question first so they have a pattern to follow.) Have all the students answer each question. Encourage discussion about the question.

1. What do you have too much of?
2. Can you have too much money?
3. How much coffee do you drink?
4. How many kids do you have?
5. How many English classes do you attend?
6. How many friends do you have in the U.S.?
7. How much time do you spend on your computer?
8. How many books do you read every month?
9. How many hours do you study English each week?
10. What is something you can't have too much of?
11. How many languages do you speak?
12. How often do you eat at a restaurant?

13. Ask the teacher a question that begins with "How".

Much or Many?

Use 'Much' with uncountable nouns. We use much with singular nouns. Question: "How much gas is in the car?" ...

Use 'Many' with countable nouns. We use many with plural nouns. Question: "How many people were at the meeting?" How many lions are in the jungle?

Use a 'A lot of' and 'Lots of' with both. Both mean a large amount. I have a lot of friends. I have a lot of money.