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Subject :- Types of Interrogative Sentence

We will talk about the first type of interrogative sentence that is wh-question .

1-Wh-question : This types can be formed through the relation between wh-question and an object in a declarative sentence .

We have many types of wh-question and we will explain them in details :

9-How long: This article refers to a length or duration(like ten meters long , for one week , for one month) . for example :

-They lived in Bahrain for four years .

To change a declarative sentence into interrogative , we will apply the following steps :

1-The above sentence is declarative .

2-It consists of a subjective pronoun (They) , a main verb (lived), a direct object ,prepositional phrases (in) a preposition (Bahrain) a noun , an indirect object prepositional phrases (for) a preposition (four) cardinal number (years) , a plural noun .

3- We put a wh –question (How long) at the beginning of sentence because an indirect object refers to a duration (for four years).

4-We omit an object (for four years).

5-The tense of sentence is the simple past tense , and it does not contain an auxiliary verb .

6-We must derivate an auxiliary verb according to tense of the sentence that is (did).

7-We put a subjective pronoun (they) .

8- We change a main verb (live) from past into present because of existence (did)

9-We put a preposition phrases (in Bahrain).

10-We add a question mark (?) at the end of sentence .

11- An interrogative sentence is :

How long did the live in Bahrain ?

Another example :

This classroom is six meters long .

following steps :

1-The above sentence is declarative .

2-It consists of a noun phrase , (This) a demonstrative pronoun (classroom) a noun , a an axillary verb (is), an object ,a cardinal number (six) , a tool of length (meters), (long) a noun .

3- We put a wh –question (How long) at the beginning of sentence because an object refers to a length (six meters long).

4-We omit an object (six meters long).

5-We put an auxiliary verb (is) .

6-We put a subject (this classroom) .

7-We add a question mark (?) at the end of sentence .

8- An interrogative sentence is :

How long is this classroom ?