

ELTE Summer quiz 11 - Tag questions

1. You've already finished the report, _____?

- ☐ (A) didn't you
- ☐ (B) don't you
- ☐ (C) haven't you
- ☐ (D) aren't you

2. They must have forgotten about the meeting, _____?

- ☐ (A) mustn't they
- ☐ (B) didn't they
- ☐ (C) must they
- ☐ (D) haven't they

3. Nobody told you about the change, _____?

- ☐ (A) didn't they
- ☐ (B) did they
- ☐ (C) were they
- ☐ (D) have they

4. You'd rather stay at home tonight, _____?

- ☐ (A) wouldn't you
- ☐ (B) hadn't you
- ☐ (C) didn't you
- ☐ (D) don't you

5. Let's not make a decision until tomorrow, _____?

- ☐ (A) don't we
- ☐ (B) will we
- ☐ (C) aren't we
- ☐ (D) shall we

6. He hardly ever takes public transport, _____?

- ☐ (A) does he
- ☐ (B) doesn't he
- ☐ (C) isn't he
- ☐ (D) has he

7. You wouldn't have said that if you'd known the truth, _____?

- ☐ (A) didn't you
- ☐ (B) had you
- ☐ (C) would you
- ☐ (D) wouldn't you

8. There's very little we can do about it now, _____?

- ☐ (A) can we
- ☐ (B) isn't there
- ☐ (C) is there
- ☐ (D) isn't it

9. I'm expected to attend the conference, _____?

- ☐ (A) aren't I
- ☐ (B) am I
- ☐ (C) isn't I
- ☐ (D) don't I

10. She used to work for the company, _____?

- ☐ (A) wasn't she
- ☐ (B) didn't she
- ☐ (C) hadn't she
- ☐ (D) usedn't she

11. Few people would disagree with that conclusion, _____?

- ☐ (A) wouldn't they
- ☐ (B) do they
- ☐ (C) won't they
- ☐ (D) would they

12. What you're suggesting isn't particularly practical, _____?

- ☐ (A) isn't it
- ☐ (B) does it
- ☐ (C) is it
- ☐ (D) are you

13. Let's postpone the meeting until next week, _____?

- ☐ (A) will we
- ☐ (B) shall we
- ☐ (C) don't we
- ☐ (D) aren't we

14. Don't forget to send me the documents before Friday, _____?

- ☐ (A) will you
- ☐ (B) do you
- ☐ (C) shall you
- ☐ (D) won't you

15. Take a seat and make yourself comfortable, _____?

- ☐ (A) do you
- ☐ (B) shall you
- ☐ (C) will you
- ☐ (D) won't you

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i The sentence uses the present perfect (have finished), so the tag uses 'have'. The statement is positive, so the tag is negative.

2. They must have forgotten about the meeting, _____?

- ☐ A mustn't they
- ☐ B didn't they
- ☐ C must they
- ☒ D haven't they

i With 'must have + past participle' when making a deduction about the past, the tag normally uses 'have'.

3. Nobody told you about the change, _____?

- ☐ A didn't they
- ☒ B did they
- ☐ C were they
- ☐ D have they

i 'Nobody' is negative in meaning, so we need a positive tag. 'Told' is past simple, so we use 'did'.

4. You'd rather stay at home tonight, _____?

- ☒ A wouldn't you
- ☐ B hadn't you
- ☐ C didn't you
- ☐ D don't you

i 'You'd rather' means 'you would rather', so the tag uses 'wouldn't'.

5. Let's not make a decision until tomorrow, _____?

- ☐ A don't we
- ☐ B will we
- ☐ C aren't we
- ☒ D shall we

i The standard tag after 'Let's' is 'shall we?'

6. He hardly ever takes public transport, _____?

- ☒ A does he
- ☐ B doesn't he
- ☐ C isn't he
- ☐ D has he

i 'Hardly ever' has a negative meaning, so the tag is positive. The main verb is in the present simple.

7. You wouldn't have said that if you'd known the truth, _____?

- ☐ A didn't you
- ☐ B had you
- ☒ C would you
- ☐ D wouldn't you

i The main clause contains 'wouldn't have said', so the tag uses 'would' with the opposite polarity.

8. There's very little we can do about it now, _____?

- ☐ A can we
- ☐ B isn't there
- ☒ C is there
- ☐ D isn't it

i 'Very little' has a negative meaning, so we need a positive tag. The auxiliary is 'is'.

9. I'm expected to attend the conference, _____?

- ☒ A aren't I
- ☐ B am I
- ☐ C isn't I
- ☐ D don't I

i The standard tag for 'I am' is 'aren't I?'

10. She used to work for the company, _____?

- A** wasn't she
- ☒ **B** didn't she
- C** hadn't she
- D** usedn't she

i In standard modern English, 'used to' generally takes 'did/didn't' in the tag.

11. Few people would disagree with that conclusion, _____?

- A** wouldn't they
- B** do they
- C** won't they
- ☒ **D** would they

i Few has a negative meaning, so the tag is positive. The auxiliary is would.

12. What you're suggesting isn't particularly practical, _____?

- A** isn't it
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i The main clause is negative (isn't), so the tag must be positive: is it?

13. Let's postpone the meeting until next week, _____?

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- C** don't we
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i After Let's, the standard tag question is shall we?

14. Don't forget to send me the documents before Friday, _____?

- ✓ **A** will you
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i Imperatives commonly take will you? as a tag. With a negative imperative (Don't forget...), will you? is the standard choice.

15. Take a seat and make yourself comfortable, _____?

- A** do you
- B** shall you
- ✓ **C** will you
- D** won't you

i An affirmative imperative commonly takes 'will you?' as a tag. It is used to make the instruction sound slightly more polite or conversational.