

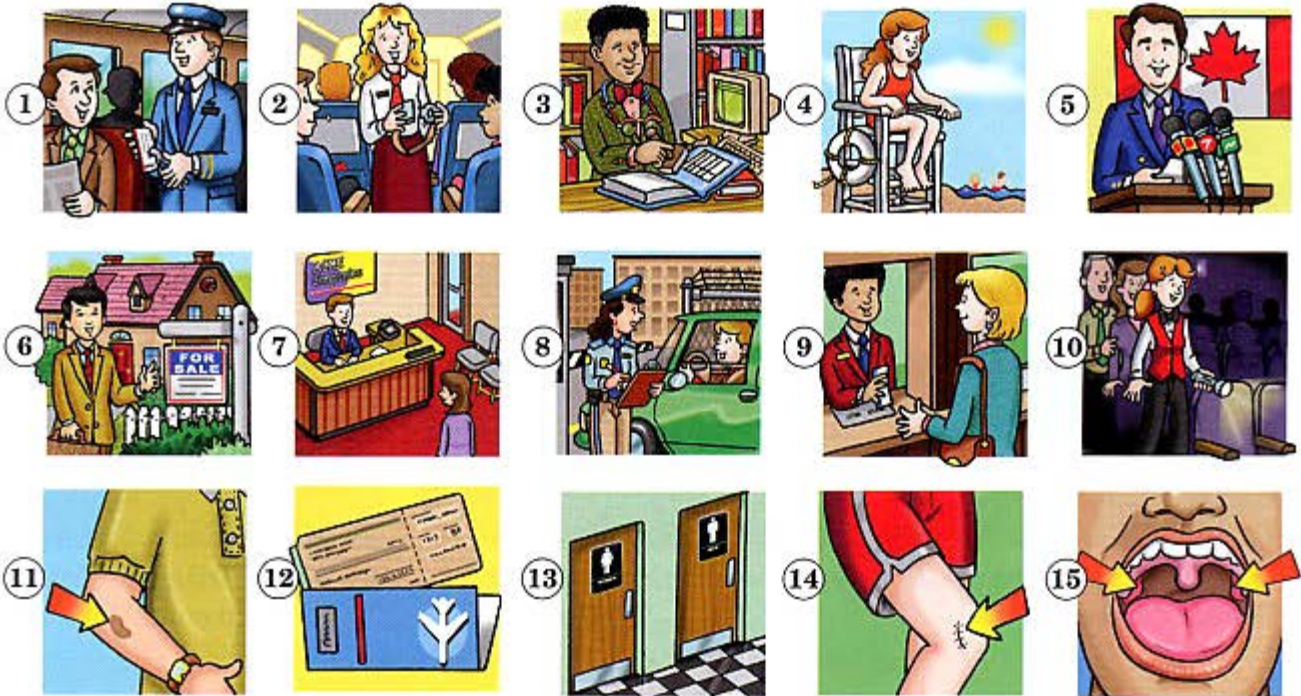


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## Embedded Questions

- Asking for Information
- Indicating Uncertainty
- Referring People to Someone Else
- Reporting a Crime
- Reporting a Missing Person

### VOCABULARY PREVIEW



1. conductor
2. flight attendant
3. librarian
4. lifeguard
5. prime minister

6. real estate agent
7. receptionist
8. security guard
9. ticket agent
10. usher

11. birthmark
12. plane ticket
13. restrooms
14. scar
15. tonsils

# I Don't Know Where the Cheese Is

Where is the bank? I don't know where the bank is.  
 What is he doing? I don't know what he's doing.  
 Why were they crying? I don't know why they were crying.  
 When can he visit us? I don't know when he can visit us.



- A. Where is the cheese?
- B. I don't know where the cheese is.



1. Where are the plane tickets?



2. What was his license number?



3. What are they arguing about?



4. When will the bus from Chicago arrive?



5. Who was the third prime minister of Canada?



6. How long have the Wilsons been married?



7. How long has Alice been working here?



8. Who should I vote for?



9. When is Santa Claus going to come?

Practice the conversations on this page again. Use these expressions instead of "I don't know."

I don't remember ...  
 I can't remember ...  
 I've forgotten ...

I'm not sure ...  
 I have no idea ...

# I Don't Know When the Movie Begins

Where does he live? I don't know where he lives.  
 How often do they come here? I don't know how often they come here.  
 How did she break her leg? I don't know how she broke her leg.



- A. When does the movie begin?
- B. I don't know when the movie begins.



1. Where does Mr. Webster work?



2. How much do eggs cost this week?



3. Why did Richard get fired?



4. What time did the plane to Miami leave?



5. How often does the ice cream truck come by?



6. Where did Mom and Dad get married?



7. What does this word mean?



8. What did we do in class yesterday?



9. Why do young people like such loud music?

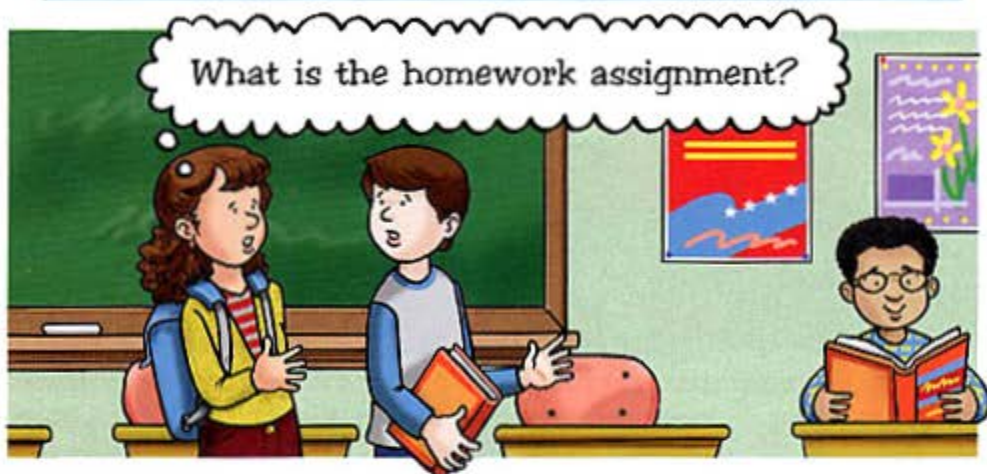
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I don't remember ...                      I'm not sure ...  
 I can't remember ...                      I have no idea ...  
 I've forgotten ...

# Do You Know What the Homework Assignment Is?

Where is the park?  
When does the train leave?

Do you know where the park is?  
Do you know when the train leaves?



- A. Do you know what the homework assignment is?
- B. I'm sorry. I don't know. You should ask Ronald. HE can tell you what the homework assignment is.



- A. Do you know how much this computer costs?
- B. I'm sorry. I don't know. You should talk to that salesperson. SHE can tell you how much this computer costs.



1. ask that security guard



2. check with the ticket agent



3. ask Grandpa



5. check with the mechanic



7. ask the people next door



9. ask your nurse



4. talk to the boss



6. ask your sister



8. talk with his supervisor



10.

## How to Say It!

### Asking for Information

- Do you know
- Can you tell me
- Could you tell me
- Could you please tell me
- Could you possibly tell me
- Do you have any idea
- Do you by any chance know

what the homework assignment is?



Practice the conversations in this lesson again. Ask for information in different ways.

## READING



### ROSEMARY SMITH WAS ROBBED

Rosemary Smith was robbed about an hour ago while she was walking home from work. She's at the police station now, and she's having some trouble giving information to the police.

She knows that a man robbed her about an hour ago, but she simply can't remember any of the details. She doesn't know how tall the man was. She isn't sure how heavy he was. She can't remember what color hair he had. She has no idea what color eyes he had. She doesn't remember what he was wearing. She has forgotten what kind of car he was driving. She can't remember what color the car was. She has no idea what the license number was. And she doesn't even know how much money was taken!

Poor Rosemary! The police want to help her, but she can't remember any of the details.

### ✓ READING CHECK-UP

#### Q & A

You're the police officer. You're trying to get information from Rosemary Smith about the robbery. Using this model, make questions and answers based on the story.

- A. Can you tell me\* *how tall the man was?*
- B. I'm sorry. I don't know *how tall he was.*

\*Or: Do you know ... ?  
Could you tell me ... ?

Do you have any idea ... ?  
Do you by any chance know ... ?

#### CHOOSE

1. I'm not sure \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. where do they live
  - b. where they live
2. She doesn't know \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. when the store opens
  - b. when does the store open
3. Do you remember \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. where you put the car keys
  - b. where did you put the car keys
4. Could you tell me \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. why is the boss angry
  - b. why the boss is angry
5. I have no idea \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. how much they spent
  - b. how much did they spend
6. He's forgotten \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. what is her name
  - b. what her name is

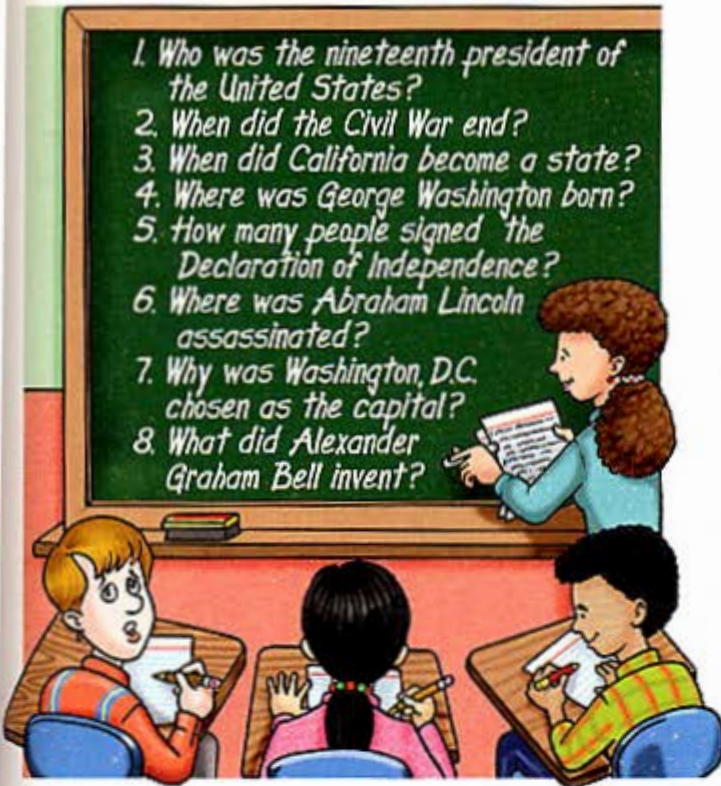
## READING

### A "SURPRISE" QUIZ

Mrs. Murphy is giving her students a "surprise" history quiz today, and Jeffrey isn't very happy about it. He has been absent for the past several days, and he's having a lot of trouble answering the questions.

He doesn't know who the nineteenth president of the United States was. He isn't sure when the Civil War ended. He doesn't remember when California became a state. He has forgotten where George Washington was born. He can't remember how many people signed the Declaration of Independence. He doesn't know where Abraham Lincoln was assassinated. He has forgotten why Washington, D.C. was chosen as the capital. And he has no idea what Alexander Graham Bell invented!

Jeffrey is very upset. He's sure he's going to fail Mrs. Murphy's "surprise" history quiz.



### ✓ READING CHECK-UP

#### Q & A

The history quiz is over, and Mrs. Murphy is going over the answers with her students. Using the story as a guide, complete the following conversation.

- A. Who knows who the nineteenth president of the United States was?  
B. I do. It was Rutherford B. Hayes.  
A. And who can tell me \_\_\_\_\_?  
C. I can. It ended in 1865.  
A. Does anyone know \_\_\_\_\_?  
D. Yes. It became a state in 1850.  
A. Who remembers \_\_\_\_\_?  
E. I remember. He was born in Virginia.  
A. Can anybody tell me \_\_\_\_\_?  
F. Yes. It was signed by 56 people.  
A. Who knows \_\_\_\_\_?  
G. He was assassinated at Ford's Theater in Washington, D.C.  
A. And who can tell me \_\_\_\_\_?  
H. It was chosen because the northern and southern states agreed it was a good location for the capital.  
A. And finally, who remembers \_\_\_\_\_?  
I. I do. He invented the telephone.  
A. Very good, class!

