

12. Could you tell me ____ the library closes today?
 a) which
 b) that
 c) how
 d) what time
13. Do you have any idea ____?
 a) how long the film lasts
 b) how long does the film last
 c) how long the film last
 d) how long lasts the film
14. I'd like to know ____.
 a) is there a swimming pool nearby
 b) if there's a swimming pool nearby
 c) there's a swimming pool nearby
 d) a swimming pool is nearby
15. Can you tell me ____?
 a) who responsible for this is
 b) who is for this responsible
 c) who is responsible for this
 d) who for this is responsible
16. I can't remember ____.
 a) where did I put my keys
 b) where I my keys put
 c) where put I my keys
 d) where I put my keys
17. Could you tell me ____?
 a) how often the buses run
 b) how often do the buses run
 c) how often the buses runs
 d) how often run the buses
18. I wonder ____.
 a) is the shop still open
 b) if the shop is still open
 c) the shop is still open
 d) if still open is the shop
19. Do you know ____?
 a) whose car is that
 b) whose is that car
 c) whose car that is
 d) whose that car is
20. I'm not sure ____.
 a) what is the answer
 b) what the answer are
 c) what are the answer
 d) what the answer is



Answers

1. b) if
2. c) whether
3. a) when
4. d) where she went
5. b) if
6. a) whether
7. c) how much this costs
8. d) if he's coming to the party
9. a) what this symbol means
10. b) where the toilets are
11. c) why he didn't call
12. d) what time
13. a) how long the film lasts
14. b) if there's a swimming pool nearby
15. c) who is responsible for this
16. d) where I put my keys
17. a) how often the buses run
18. b) if the shop is still open
19. c) whose car that is
20. d) what the answer is



Explanations

1. “if” (b)

Use 'if' to introduce a yes/no indirect question. 'Do you know if the museum is open on Sundays?' converts the direct question 'Is the museum open on Sundays?'

2. “whether” (c)

Use 'whether' to introduce a yes/no indirect question. 'I wonder whether Tom passed the exam' expresses uncertainty about a yes/no question.

3. “when” (a)

Use 'when' because we want to know a specific time, not just yes or no. 'Could you tell me when the next bus arrives?' asks for the arrival time.

4. “where she went” (d)

After 'I have no idea', use statement word order: 'where she went' (not 'where did she go'). Remove 'did' and use the past tense form.

5. “if” (b)

Use 'if' because 'Does this bus go to the airport?' is a yes/no question. We need 'if' (not a wh- word) to convert it to an indirect question.

6. “whether” (a)

Use 'whether' for a yes/no indirect question. 'I'd like to know whether I need a visa' converts the question 'Do I need a visa?'

7. “how much this costs” (c)

In indirect questions, use statement word order and keep the -s: 'how much this costs' (not 'how much does this cost'). Remove 'does' and add -s to the verb.

8. “if he's coming to the party” (d)

After 'I'm not sure', use 'if' + statement order: 'if he's coming to the party'. This converts the yes/no question 'Is he coming to the party?'

9. “what this symbol means” (a)

After 'Could you explain', use statement word order: 'what this symbol means' (not 'what does this symbol mean'). Remove 'does' and add -s.

10. “where the toilets are” (b)

Use statement word order: 'where the toilets are' (not 'where are the toilets'). Note the plural verb 'are' to match the plural subject 'toilets'.

11. “why he didn't call” (c)

In indirect questions, keep the negative auxiliary in statement order: 'why he didn't call' (not 'why didn't he call'). The subject comes before the auxiliary.

12. “what time” (d)

Use 'what time' because we want to know a specific time. 'Could you tell me what time the library closes today?' asks for the closing hour.

13. “how long the film lasts” (a)

After 'Do you have any idea', use statement order: 'how long the film lasts' (not 'how long does the film last'). Remove 'does' and add -s.

14. “if there's a swimming pool nearby” (b)

Use 'if' + statement order for yes/no indirect questions: 'if there's a swimming pool nearby'. This converts 'Is there a swimming pool nearby?'

15. “who is responsible for this” (c)

When 'who' is the subject, the word order is the same in direct and indirect questions: 'who is responsible for this'. The subject 'who' already comes before the verb.

16. “where I put my keys” (d)

After 'I can't remember', use statement order: 'where I put my keys' (not 'where did I put my keys'). Remove 'did' and use the past tense form.

17. “how often the buses run” (a)

Use statement order: 'how often the buses run' (not 'how often do the buses run'). The plural subject 'buses' takes the base form 'run'.

18. “if the shop is still open” (b)

After 'I wonder', use 'if' + statement order: 'if the shop is still open'. This converts the yes/no question 'Is the shop still open?'

19. “whose car that is” (c)

In indirect questions, use statement order: 'whose car that is' (not 'whose car is that'). The demonstrative 'that' acts as the subject.

20. “what the answer is” (d)

After 'I'm not sure', use statement order: 'what the answer is' (not 'what is the answer'). The subject 'the answer' comes before the verb 'is'.