

Question Tags

It is common practise in conversation to make a statement and ask for confirmation. As "It's very hot, isn't it?"
The later part "isn't it?" is called a question tag.

* The pattern is :

- i auxiliary + n't + subject, if the statement is positive.
- ii auxiliary + subject, if negative.

* Examples:

- i It's raining, isn't it?
- ii You are free, aren't you?
- iii She can swim well, can't she?
- iv Gopi broke the glass, didn't he?
- v Your sister cooks well, doesn't she?
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- vi ~~You are~~, You aren't busy, are you?
- vii She can't swim, can she?
- viii Mohan doesn't work hard, does he?
- ix They haven't come yet, have they?

Note that ~~the~~ subject of a question tag is always a pronoun, never a noun.

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