

Hey you guys!

Today we are learning how we can ask questions in a softer, indirect way. You don't sound so incisive when you do that. It's a very common communication strategy and we use it without even noticing! So let us learn how to make them properly, ok?

Embedded questions are questions inside questions. That's why it has this name!

For instance, if you want to ask someone if they know **why the students don't do their homework**, instead of asking **WHY DON'T STUDENTS DO THEIR HOMEWORK?** You can say **DO YOU KNOW WHY STUDENTS DON'T DO THEIR HOMEWORK?**

So, by adding the question **DO YOU KNOW** you already sound more polite!

The thing is that, when you use **embedded questions** you have to pay attention to the **word order!**

The second question must follow the affirmative structure, even though this is in a question, for the first question is already in the interrogative form.

Check more examples and pay attention to the structure:

Normal question

Embedded

Where **is** the library?

Do you know where the library **is**?

Normal question

Embedded

How **did** he **find** you?

Can you tell me how he **found** you?

Normal question

Embedded

What **does** she **like** to eat?

Do you remember what she **likes** to eat?

Normal question

Embedded

Will they **be** back soon?

Did they say if they **will be** back soon?

Normal question

Embedded

Has she **ever been** abroad?

Do you know if she **has ever been** abroad?

Ta, e agora?

See how the structure changes? This is a great topic for practicing sentence structure and revising some of these rules!!!

Get down to work!