



LA QUESTION (1)

QUESTIONS (Part 1)

INTRODUCTION

There are **5 different ways** to ask questions in French,

In this lesson, we are going to focus on the **FIRST way**.

In order to make the person you are talking with
understand that you are asking a question,
consistently use the **following phrase** :

« **Est-ce que ...** » [è se ke]

Every time you use or hear this phrase,
it will be clear that **the sentence is a question**.

QUESTION : TYPE 1

Let's see how to use it.

Every time you start a sentence using « **Est-ce que ...** »,
we expect the answer to be « **OUI** » (Yes) or « **NON** » (No)
or for it to involve **a choice**.

When you expect someone to reply « YES » or « NO » :

EST-CE QUE	SUBJECT	VERB	OBJECT
Est-ce que	tu	as	un chat?
[è se ke]	[tu]	[a]	[zun cha]
Do	you	have	a cat?

Oui, j'ai un chat.

Non, je n'ai pas de chat.

ALTERNATIVE

You can also start your sentence with « **Est-ce que ...** »,
when you want someone to **make a choice**.

When you ask someone to **make a choice** : **A or B** (or ...) ? :

EST-CE QUE	SUBJECT	VERB	OBJECT
Est-ce que	tu	préfères	le bleu ou le rouge?
[è se ke]	[tu]	[pré fè r]	[le ble ou le rou j]
Do	you	prefer	blue or red?

Je préfère le **bleu**.

Je préfère le **rouge**.