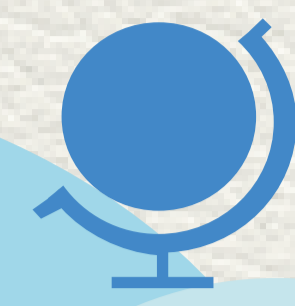




They are questions designed to check that learners have understood the meaning of a piece of grammar, an item of vocabulary or a functional expression. The word 'concept' expresses the meaning of the piece of language.

What?



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What are concept-check questions?

Concept questions usually come in the form of 'Yes/No' answers questions or 'either/or' choice questions.



Do you understand?

Possible reasons why students say 'Yes' when the teacher asks this question.

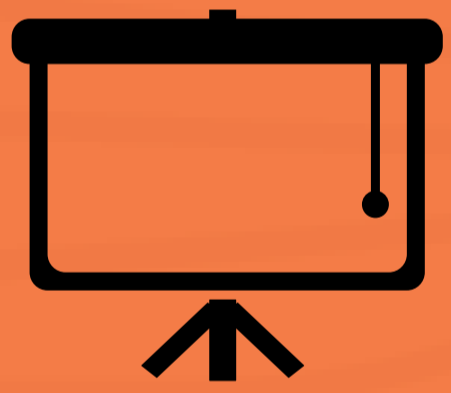
Why

- They think they understand, but don't.
- They are too embarrassed to admit they don't.



Teacher explanations do not require students to demonstrate understanding.

Concept-check questions do.



Use when presenting a piece of language and for confirming understanding of that language.

When



As new language comes up during a lesson and needs checking.



Presentation Sequence

Create a context

2 Concept check



I had my car repaired.

How?

- I didn't repair my car myself.
- Another person repaired it.
- I arranged for the person to do it for me.
- Did I repair my car? (No)
- Did someone else repair it? (Yes)
- Did I arrange for the person to do it? (Yes)

“Break down the concept into its essential elements and then turn these into questions”

