



### Items starting with the Subject

If the sentence starts with the Subject, it is either a statement or a tag question.

E.g. Your office is very busy today. → Statement

The hotel is close to the airport, isn't it? → Tag question

A tag question is a short question (e.g. is it? / isn't it?) that follows a statement and invites the hearer to respond to the statement. Negative tags expect a 'Yes' answer, positive a 'No' reply.

affirmative

negative + subject pronoun

The hotel isn't close to the airport, is it?

negative

affirmative + subject pronoun

As with yes/no questions, answers will usually begin with yes or no, but it may be omitted.