

# How old are you?

In English, when we want to ask someone's age we use the phrase 'How old ...?'

In Indonesian, we use the question word *berapa* meaning 'how many' or 'how much'.

Notice the pattern:

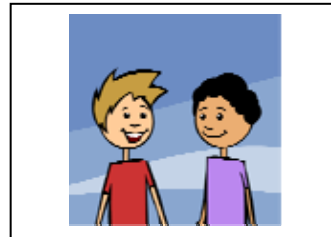
Question word (How much)	Word for age	Possessive pronoun
Berapa	umur	Anda? kamu? (~mu?) dia?

Read the following dialogues:

**Dialogue 1:** Asking someone your own age (informal)

*Berapa umurmu?*

*Umur saya tiga belas tahun.*



**Dialogue 2:** Asking about someone else

*Berapa umur dia?*

*Umur dia enam belas tahun.*



**NOTE:**

- (i) When expressing age, the word *tahun* (years) must be included at the end of the statement.
- (ii) Remember that *kamu* is usually shortened to *~mu* when it acts as a possessive adjective.

## Exercises



1. Answer the following questions using the information provided in brackets or your own knowledge of the characters in the online story.

Example:

*Berapa umur Heru? (6)*

*Umur Heru enam tahun or Umur dia enam tahun.*

- a) Berapa umur dia? (10) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Berapa umur Jenny? (19) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) Berapa umur Anna? \_\_\_\_\_
- d) Berapa umur Peter? \_\_\_\_\_
- e) Berapa umur Wahyu? \_\_\_\_\_
- f) Berapa umurmu? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Conduct a survey to discover the ages of some of your friends and family.

- a) Write the questions on the lines below that you will need to ask to find out their ages.

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- b) Write a sentence about each person you surveyed. Use the example to help you. You may also need to use a dictionary to find out any numbers you don't already know.

Nama	Informasi
Contoh: Wahyu	Contoh: Umur Wahyu tiga belas tahun.
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