Lesson 7 Exercise 1

Find the X-Word in each of the following statements and place an X over it. Then, change each statement to a yes/no question by moving the X-Word to the front of the sentence.

"What do Weddings Cost Today?"

1. The cost of an average American wedding was $28, 427 last year.
    Was the cost of an average American wedding $28,427 last year?

2. The average cost of a wedding in Manhattan was $76,687.
    Was the average cost of a wedding in Manhattan $76,687?

3. That amount of money could pay for a year's college tuition or a nice new car.
    Could that amount of money pay for a year's college tuition or a nice new car?

4. It is more than many people make in a year.
    Is it more than many people make in a year?

5. Most young couples and parents can't afford an expensive wedding.
    Can most young couples and parents not afford an expensive wedding?

Lesson 7 Exercise 2

Directions: Here are five more sentences. They are already yes/no questions. Change them back to affirmative statements.

1   Is the "wedding industry" the reason for these high costs?

    The "wedding industry" is the reason for these high costs.

2   Are dressmakers, florists, reception halls, photographers, bands, and caterers all part of the "wedding industry"?

    Dressmakers, florists, reception halls, photographers, bands, and caterers are all part of the "wedding industry.

3   Do young couples feel pressure to keep up with friends and relatives?

    Young couples feel pressure to keep up with friends and relatives

4   Were weddings simpler and less expensive in the past?

    Weddings were simpler and less expensive in the past.

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5   Was there a change after the grand wedding of Diana and Prince Charles of England?

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| **to keep up with**: to compete with; *It was hard for Mary to keep up with her rich cousin.* |

Lesson 7 Exercise 3

Below, there are six affirmative statements. On the line under each statement, change the statement to either a **negative (NEG) statement** or a **yes/no question (Y/N)**

1   The royal couple's wedding was like a "fairy tale."
(Y/N)   _____

2   The Prince and Princess were driven away in an old car.
(NEG)   _____

3   The Prince and Princess were driven away in a glass coach pulled by six horses.
(Y/N)   _____

4   Everyone has wanted a fairy tale wedding since then.
(Y/N)   _____

5   Young people should go into debt to have a huge wedding.
(NEG)   _____

6   There are many ways to save money and still have the wedding of your dreams.
(Y/N)   _____

Lesson 7 Exercise 4

Now write your own affirmative (AFF) sentence, then write it again as negative (NEG) sentence and as a yes/no (Y/N) question.

(AFF) _____

(NEG) _____

(Y/N) _____

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