

How long will it take to (verb) that?

It depends on the weather, but maybe 1 week.

This sheet deals with wanting to know how long it will be until something is finished/ready/etc. And things that will decide how long.

****The pattern is: How long will it take to verb?**

-It depends on situation, but maybe some time.

How long will it take to print these photos?

-It depends on the quality of prints you want, but maybe 1 hour.

*Rewrite the sentences below with **How long does it take to V**. Then answer this question with **depends on** and the time provided, like below:*

When you:

ex.) want to have someone print photos from your camera. (print)

How long will it take to print these photos ?

(the quality of prints you want – 1 hour)

It depends on the quality of prints you want, but maybe 1 hour.

1. you want someone to edit your school/work report. (edit)

How long will it take to edit my school report ?

(how many mistakes were made – 3 days)

It depends on how many mistakes were made, but maybe 3 days.

2. want the hotel do dry clean your suits. (clean)

How long will it take to dry clean my suits ?

(how busy the laundry room is – 5 hours)

It depends on how busy the laundry room is, but maybe 5 hours.

3. ask your piano teacher about a song you want to learn. (learn)

How long will it take to learn this song ?

(how much you practice – 4 months)

It depends on how much you practice, but maybe 4 months .

4. need to know how long until a package arrives. (get there)

How long will it take (for my package) to get there ?

(the type of shipping you want – two weeks)

It depends on the type of shipping you want, but maybe 2 weeks.

5. *are waiting for your friend to come pick you up. (get here)

How long will it take (for you) to get here ?

(traffic – about half an hour)

It depends on traffic, but maybe about half an hour .

6. want to know your health check-up waiting time. **(start the exam)**
How long will it take to start the exam ?
(how many patients are waiting – at least an hour)
It depends on how many patients are waiting, but maybe at least an hour.
7. want to know about the health check-up time. **(do the exam)**
How long will it take to do the exam ?
(what tests the doc wants to do – 2 hours)
It depends on what tests the doc wants to do, but maybe 2 hours.
8. ask your mom when your clothes will be dried. **(dry)**
How long will it take to dry my clothes ?
(how sunny and hot it is outside – 45 minutes or so)
It depends on how sunny and hot it is outside, but maybe 45 minutes or so.
9. want to know when you will arrive. **(until we get there)**
How long will it take until we get there ?
(if we can catch the express train – 90 minutes)
It depends on if we can catch the express train, but maybe 90 minutes.
10. are curious about the presents you want wrapped. **(wrap)**
How long will it take to wrap my presents ?
(how big and how many – at least an hour)
It depends on how big and how many, but maybe at least an hour.
11. ask your friend about her plan to sail around the world. **(sail)**
How long will it take to sail around the world ?
(the weather conditions – just over a year)
It depends on the weather conditions, but maybe just over a year.
12. ask your friend about the new game he's downloading. **(download)**
How long will it take to download the new game ?
(the net service provider speed – 30 minutes or so)
It depends on the net service provider speed, but maybe 30 minutes or so.

**Other forms of this type of question can be:

1. How long will that/it be?
2. How long is that/it gonna (going to) take?

ex. 1) Thank you for fixing my ring for me. How long will it be?

ex. 2) I'd like to send this letter by express mail. How long is that gonna take?