

How long will it take + It depends on (1)

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 many mistakes were made – 3 days)

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

(how busy the laundry room is – 5 hours)

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

(how much you practice – 4 months)

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

(the type of shipping you want – two weeks)

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

(traffic – about half an hour)

6. want to know your health check-up waiting time. **(start the exam)**

(how many patients are waiting – at least an hour)

7. want to know about the health check-up time. **(do the exam)**

(what tests the doc wants to do – 2 hours)

8. ask your mom when your clothes will be dried. **(dry)**

(how sunny and hot it is outside – 45 minutes or so)

9. want to know when you will arrive. **(until we get there)**

(if we can catch the express train – 90 minutes)

10. are curious about the presents you want wrapped. **(wrap)**

(how big and how many – at least an hour)

11. ask your friend about her plan to sail around the world. **(sail)**

(the weather conditions – just over a year)

12. ask your friend about the new game he's downloading. **(download)**

(the net service provider speed – 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?