What's a good question?

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I will revisit some previous formal accounts of when a question is good or useful against the background of a practical decision-making context. I argue that previous accounts have shortcomings due to an impoverished or inadequate picture regarding which answers to expect. I introduce a new account, couched in probabilistic pragmatic reasoning, which builds on the assumption that answers are given by a forthcoming, pragmatically relevant answerer. To this end, I propose a new notion of answer-relevance as a mixture of epistemic- and action-oriented relevance.