

Api: is it the first word?

Yes: Question marker

No. Does it follow ca or tu as second word?

Yes: Strengthens ca or tu; (moreover, however)

No. Does it follow an interrogative pronoun?

Yes: Makes indefinite (kenāpi- by something/ someone)

No. Does it follow a number?

Yes: Means “all” (trayam api- all three)
*This goes for sarvam api as well, emphasizes the totality

No. Is it a locative absolute or genitive+tva/ tā?

Yes: Concessive force (although)*

*this concessive force can at times be given outside loc. abs. or abstract phrases to a single word, but it is NOT that common

No. In all other cases api means ‘too’. Remember: it goes w/ the word preceding it, not the sentence or verb.