

 Ask For and Give Permission		
Asking for Permission • Can I go out, please? • May I open the window, please? • Please, can I have a look at your photo album? • Please, may I taste that hot spicy couscous dish? • Do you mind if I smoke? • Would you mind if I asked you something? • Is it okay if I sit here?	Giving Permission • Yes, please do. • Sure, go ahead. • Sure. • No problem. • Please feel free.	Refusing to Give Permission • No, please don't. • I'm sorry, but that's not possible. • I'm afraid, but you can't.

Ex 1 Listen to three conversations. Which teacher doesn't give Patty permission to film the class?

Teacher 1 Teacher 2 Teacher 3

Ex2 Complete the conversations with words and phrases. Then listen and check.

Sorry	could	suppose so	not at	you mind if	to	were wondering if	it ok
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Patty: Excuse me, Miss Roberts. Is ¹_____ if we film your class today? It's for the school Facebook page.

Miss R: Well, I'm ²_____ I'm going to give you a test and that won't be very interesting on film. How about tomorrow?

Patty: We only have the camera today. ³_____ we do the test tomorrow?

Miss R: Well, OK, I ⁴_____.

Patty: Thanks, Miss Roberts – that's great.

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Patty: Mrs Baker!

Mrs B: Yes, hello, Patty. What can I do for you?

Patty: Do ⁵_____ we film our class today, please?

Mrs B: No, ⁶_____ all, go ahead. Is this for a project?

Patty: No, it's for the school Facebook page.

Mrs B: Oh right, I'll go and tidy up the classroom then.

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Mr O: Come in.

Patty: Excuse me, Mr Osborne.

Mr O: Yes, what is it?

Patty: Um, we ⁷_____ we could film your class today. We're making a film for the school Facebook page.

Mr O: Oh, I see. Well, I'd like ⁸_____ help, but I'm afraid I've got meetings all day and Ms Marks is taking my classes.

Patty: Oh OK, sorry to bother you, sir.