

- 1 She *can* / *is able to* swim really well because she used to live by the sea. ✓
- 2 You need to *can* / *be able to* drive to live in the country.
- 3 Luke *could* / *was able to* read when he was only three years old.
- 4 If it doesn't rain tomorrow, we *can* / *we'll be able to* go for a long walk.
- 5 Sorry, I've been so busy that I *haven't could* / *haven't been able to* call until now.
- 6 If Millie had a less demanding job, she *could* / *would be able to* enjoy life more.
- 7 I've never *could* / *been able to* dance well, but I'd love to learn.
- 8 We're really sorry we *couldn't* / *weren't able to* come to your wedding.
- 9 I *used to can* / *used to be able to* speak a bit of Polish, but I've forgotten most of it now.
- 10 *Can you* / *Will you be able to* make the dinner tonight?
- 11 To work for this company, you *must can* / *must be able to* speak at least three languages.
- 12 I hate *not can* / *not being able to* communicate with the local people when I'm travelling.

b Read Matthew Banks' CV. Then complete the sentences with the correct form of *can*, *could* or *be able to*.

1 Matthew can sail.

2 He _____ speak a little Chinese when he started working in Hong Kong.

3 He _____ speak German.

4 He _____ design websites since 1999.

5 He'd like _____ speak Russian.

6 He _____ finish his PhD before he left the USA.

7 He _____ speak a little Russian soon.