

Lesson 22

Topics in this lesson:

- Imperatives
- Suggestions
- Modal verb CAN – possibility, requests and permission.

GRAMMAR

Read the following extracts from Sally's Phone:

Andrew likes telling Sally what to do – and what to wear.

“**Wear** your blue skirt,” says Andrew. But Sally **can't wear** it. It's dirty.

“**Don't forget**, Sally – we're meeting Michael tonight.”

The train goes into a tunnel. The people on the train **can not talk** on their phones.

Claire is Sally's friend. “**Let's go out** at lunchtime. We **can find** a new skirt.”

Louise says. “**Forget** him.” “**Do** this, **do** that, **go** there, **don't go** there.”

“**Can you give** a message to him? This is his sister Katherine.”

IMPERATIVES

- Los verbos marcados en naranja son imperativos.
- Usamos el imperativo para dar órdenes e instrucciones. Podemos decir a alguien qué hacer a través de oraciones afirmativas, o qué no hacer, con oraciones negativas.

Estructura

Oraciones afirmativas

- Simplemente usamos el verbo sin modificaciones.
- No usamos pronombre, ya que siempre le hablamos a la misma persona al dar indicaciones u órdenes – YOU.

Wear your blue skirt. – Usa tu falda azul.

- Podemos *please*, para ser amables.

Give him a message, please. – Por favor, dale un mensaje.

Oraciones negativas

- Usamos don't + verbo
- Al igual que en las afirmativas, no usamos pronombre.

Don't go there. – No vayas allí.

SUGGESTIONS

La frase marcada en azul es una sugerencia. Es una invitación a hacer o no algo.

- Usamos **let's + verbo** para sugerir hacer algo.

Let's go out at lunchtime. – Salgamos a la hora del almuerzo.

- Usamos **let's not + verbo** para sugerir no hacer algo.

Let's not talk about Andrew. – **No hablemos** de Andrew.

Suggestions

Complete with **Let's** and a verb from the list.

close - go - open - sit down - stop - ~~turn off~~

Example: It's late. Let's turn off the TV and go to bed.

1. I'm tired. _____.
2. It's very cold in here. _____ the window.
3. There's a service station. _____ and have a coffee.
4. It's hot in here. _____ the window.
5. I'm bored here. _____ home.

Can / Can't

Complete the sentences with can or can't and the verbs.

Example: I'm sorry. I can't remember your name.

1. _____ you _____ me? These bags are very heavy. (help)
2. I _____ you tonight. I'm very busy. (see)
3. _____ I _____ the window? It's cold in here. (close)
4. _____ you _____ your address, please? (repeat)
5. It says "No parking". We _____ here. (stop)

