

GRAMMAR

Can se usa para expresar capacidad y posibilidad.

can / can't

he can run	él puede correr
we can't run	nosotros no podemos correr
Can you run ... ?	¿Tú puedes correr...?

Short answers

Yes, I can. / No, I can't.

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7 Completa las frases con la forma correcta de **can**.

- My sister is 18, so she can get her driving licence.
- He can't meet friends this week because he's studying for exams.
- What languages can you speak?
- I've got some time, so I can help you now.
- Can you go to the supermarket this afternoon?
- Jo broke her leg, so she can't participate in the competition.

Could se usa para hablar de habilidades pasadas y expresar posibilidad.

could / couldn't

she could drive	ella sabía conducir
I couldn't drive	yo no sabía conducir
Could they drive ... ?	¿Ellos/as sabían conducir...?

Short answers

Yes, they could. / No, they couldn't.

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8 Completa las frases con la forma correcta de **could**.

- Could you run a marathon last year?
- I couldn't go out last night because I was too tired.
- My sister is very clever. She could read at a very young age.
- Could 16-year-olds get married in the 1800s?
- He spoke very fast, so I couldn't understand him.
- Brad's very intelligent. He could do difficult maths when he was only 10.

9 Completa las frases sobre una persona famosa con **can**, **can't**, **could** o **couldn't**. Luego adivina quién es.

- Today, you can often find his name at the top of lists of the best footballers of all time.
- His parents couldn't buy him a football or football shoes when he was a child because they were very poor.
- As a young boy in Brazil, he didn't need shoes to play football well. He could play without them.
- He isn't only a talented footballer. He can also write music. He wrote songs for some famous Brazilian pop stars.
- He can't play professional football now because he's too old. He stopped playing in the 1970s.

THE PERSON IS: _____



Must se usa para expresar obligación y **mustn't**, para expresar prohibición.

must / mustn't

you must stop	vosotros/as <i>debéis</i> parar
we mustn't stop	nosotros/as <i>no debemos</i> parar

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10 Completa las frases con **must** o **mustn't**.

- We mustn't eat this cake. It isn't ours.
- I _____ clean my room once a week. It's a rule in my house.
- You _____ be quiet in the library.
- You _____ swim here. It isn't safe.
- It's late. I _____ go now.

Should se usa para dar o pedir consejo.

should / shouldn't

they should walk	ellos/as <i>deberían</i> andar
you shouldn't walk	tú <i>no deberías</i> andar
Should I walk ... ?	¿ <i>Debería</i> andar... ?

Short answers

Yes, you **should**. / No, you **shouldn't**.

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11 Completa las frases con la forma correcta de **should**.

- Should we watch this movie or is it too frightening?
- You _____ call Ben now. He wants to talk to you.
- Chloe _____ go to bed very late. She needs seven hours of sleep.
- You _____ work hard at school to get good marks.
- I know I _____ eat a lot of junk food.
- _____ I buy these earrings for Mum?

12 Elige la respuesta correcta para completar frases sobre leyes y tradiciones de varias partes del mundo.

- In Chile, all children **should** / **must** go to school. Students **mustn't** / **couldn't** leave school until they are 18.
- Two hundred years ago, women **can't** / **couldn't** go to university in Britain, so only men **should** / **could** get good jobs.
- In the Philippines, people **mustn't** / **shouldn't** get divorced because it is prohibited. They **must** / **can** stay married forever.
- Many doctors believe women **shouldn't** / **can't** have babies at home because it **can** / **must** be dangerous. But in Holland, about 30% of mothers prefer staying at home.
- In some countries, women **shouldn't** / **mustn't** choose their husbands. Their parents decide who they **could** / **can** marry.

13 Completa las preguntas con **can**, **could** o **should**. Luego contéstalas.

- Can 14-year-old teenagers leave school in your country?
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- What time young children go to bed on a school night?
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- women study at university when your grandmother was young?
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- weddings be big events? What do you think?
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- When teenagers start driving lessons in your country?
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