

14 Asking for and giving permission

Can I borrow a pen, please?
Yes, you can. / No, sorry, you can't. /
Sure, no problem.
Is it OK if I use your mobile?
No, sorry, it isn't OK. / Oh, all right. /
Yes, that's fine.

1 Complete the questions and answers.

- 1  A: Is it OK if I use your mobile?
B: , all right.
- 2  A: I borrow your , please?
B: Sure, no .
- 3  A: Is it if I use your ?
B: Yes, that's .
- 4  A: Can I your , please?
B: , you can.
- 5  A: Can I borrow your , ?
B: No, , you can't.

LOOK! Please can I go to the party?
Can I go to the party, please?

2 Write two questions asking for permission with please for each situation.

- 1 You want to go to the cinema.
a Please can I go to the cinema?
b Can I go to the cinema, please?
- 2 You want to use your dad's laptop.
a
b
- 3 You want to borrow a friend's mobile.
a
b

3 Complete the dialogues. Sometimes there is more than one answer.

Can I borrow your mobile, please? No, it isn't.
Is it OK if I use yours? Please can I go to the cinema? Sure, no problem. Yes, you can.

Dialogue 1

Elena: We've got a Maths test today. Have you got your calculator this time?
Tom: Oh no, I forgot it. ¹Is it OK if I use yours?
Elena: ² I need it for the test!
Tom: OK, I understand. I hope the test is easy!

Dialogue 2

Jess: Hi Tom. Do you want to go to the cinema?
Matt: Sure, but I have to ask my mum first.
³ I don't have my phone with me.
Jess: ⁴ Here you are.
Matt: Thanks. Oh, hi mum. ⁵
Mum: ⁶

4 Look at the notes and write a dialogue asking for permission.

Who: Paul and Leo
Where: go to the swimming pool
Ask Leo's dad for permission
Permission: No
Why: homework

Paul:
Leo:

Dad:
Leo:

5 In your notebook, write a dialogue asking for permission. Use these notes.

Who: Anna and Milly
Where: go shopping
Ask Milly's grandma for permission
Permission: Yes

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