



Name _____ Class _____ No. _____

Modals of Ability

Put the correct form of either "can", "could" or "be able to" for each sentence.

Example 2

What can birds do?

They can fly.



1. We _____ see the mountains yesterday, but today we can't.
2. This telephone is terrible. I _____ (not / hear) you at all.
3. They were so busy, they _____ (not / text) me.
4. Lisa **has** _____ clean her dress. She can wear it again.
5. I have to go to a business dinner tomorrow night so
I _____ (not/come) to the party. I'm very sorry.
6. When I was very young, I used to _____ touch my toes,
but I can't now!
7. Maybe the Smiths _____ build a new house next year.
8. I hope to _____ speak English very well after this course
finishes.
9. I haven't _____ concentrate recently at work.
I don't know what it is.
10. My brother _____ cook very well.
He is a chef in a French restaurant.

