

BE ABLE TO, BE ALLOWED TO, etc.

1 Choose the correct option.

- 1 Am I *allowed* / *able* to use your car today?
- 2 George is *allowed* / *able* to speak four languages.
- 3 She was *allowed* / *able* to solve the problem in ten minutes.
- 4 Sir, you are not *allowed* / *able* to park your car here.
- 5 You are not *allowed* / *able* to go into that room.
- 6 He was *allowed* / *able* to ski down the slope in three minutes.
- 7 Some people shouldn't be *allowed* / *able* to drive.
- 8 Rosie was *allowed* / *able* by her parents to stay up till eleven o'clock.

2 Complete the following sentences with the right form of *be able to*.

- 1 I _____ (not be able to) give you a lesson tomorrow.
- 2 The tap was broken, so I _____ (not be able to) use it.
- 3 Tom tried to open the door, but he _____ (not be able to) do it.
- 4 I _____ (not be able to) go down the stairs. Both my legs are broken.
- 5 We _____ (not be able to) send the package tomorrow morning.
- 6 They _____ (not be able to) visit him since he was admitted to hospital.
- 7 He is so tired that he _____ (not be able to) take even one more step.
- 8 'I've worked on it every day this week, but I still _____ (not be able to) complete the report.'

3 Choose the correct option.

- 1 It is *required* / *forbidden* to come to class on time.
- 2 Certain chemicals have been *required* / *banned* because of their damaging effect on the environment.
- 3 I *would rather* / *used to* die than leave you, Tom!
- 4 As kids we *would rather* / *used to* love visiting grandma.
- 5 When I was young, we *would rather* / *used to* swim in the river.
- 6 It is *necessary* / *unnecessary* to know our enemies if we want to defeat them.
- 7 Please print this email only if it is *necessary* / *unnecessary*.
- 8 It would be nice if Tom didn't keep making *necessary* / *unnecessary* remarks.

4 Complete the sentences with the following words.

leave – feed – help – take – understand – make – go – be

- 1 If you go by plane, you won't be able to _____ much luggage.
- 2 I would rather _____ to the cinema alone than with Bob.
- 3 Visitors to the zoo are not allowed to _____ the animals.
- 4 Lucy might be able to _____ you, if you can't cook dinner for ten people alone.
- 5 Nobody is allowed to _____ the classroom until the bell rings.
- 6 Is it necessary to _____ so much noise?
- 7 I've changed. I'm not the same man I used to _____.
- 8 If Maria spoke less quickly, people would be able to _____ her better.