

UNIT 5: DIFFERENT FEELINGS

Lesson 2: Grammar and Speaking

Practice

A Underline the correct option.

- 1 Dogs can / could travel a long way to find food.
- 2 Most dogs can't / couldn't see the difference between red and green.
- 3 Often during World Wars I and II, people were not able to / can't find survivors.
- 4 However, dogs were able to / will be able to find them.
- 5 They can / could also carry messages.
- 6 In the future, scientists will be able to / can make better robot dogs.

B Make sentences by putting the words in the correct order.

- 1 bottle / I / open / can't / this
I can't open this bottle.
- 2 couldn't / name / her / remember / I
I couldn't remember her name.
- 3 stand / child / able / The / wasn't / to
The child wasn't able to stand.
- 4 at / meet / we / Can / ?
Can we meet at?
- 5 question / He / the / answer / couldn't
He couldn't answer the question.
- 6 play / can't / I / tennis
I can't play tennis.
- 7 truck / drive / Can / a / she?
Can she drive a truck?
- 8 able / come / friends / My / weren't / to
My friends weren't able to come.

C Circle the correct option.

- 1 I ... use my mobile here – it doesn't work.
a can b can't c couldn't d wasn't able to
- 2 In 1998, 20% of the world's population ... not write.
a can b can't c could d was able to
- 3 The box was very heavy – I ... carry it.
a will be able to b won't be able to
c can't d couldn't
- 4 When I was younger, I ... read a book in one day.
a could b can c will be able to d can't
- 5 I ... take this to the post office. I haven't got enough time.
a can b can't c could d couldn't
- 6 I'm not busy. I ... go to the post office for you.
a can't b won't be able to c can d couldn't
- 7 Don't stay out late or you won't ... get up early.
a could b can c be able to d can't
- 8 The window was very small but my daughter ... climb in.
a wasn't able to b weren't able to
c won't be able to d was able to

D Complete the sentences using *can*, *can't*, *could*, *couldn't*, *will be able to* or *won't be able to* and a verb from the box.

come have hear imagine
read see speak understand

- 1 It's too dark in here. I can't read my book.
- 2 I want to learn Spanish. you another language?
- 3 When we move to the country next year, we a dog.
- 4 We don't really know what life was like in the past. We only
- 5 **Bats** very well but they have excellent hearing.
- 6 That film was really boring. you what it was about?
- 7 I couldn't sleep last night. I a strange noise.
- 8 If I go to Australia to study, I home very often.

MY TURN!

Make sentences about what you *can* / *can't* do now, *could* / *couldn't* do when you were younger or *will* / *won't be able to* do in the future and write them in your notebook. Use expressions from the box or your own ideas.

drive run 10 kilometres speak English
stand on my head touch my toes with my nose

Example: When I was four, I couldn't speak English.

MY TEST!

Circle the correct option.

- 1 My dog understand about 20 words in Spanish. a can to b can c is able
- 2 But he understand one word of English.
a doesn't can b can't c can not
- 3 When the people the survivor, their dogs helped them.
a couldn't find b can't found c couldn't found
- 4 My dog very fast.
a doesn't can run b can't run c cannot runs
- 5 A: Will the robot dog be able to swim?
B: No, it a can't b isn't c won't

Practice

A Match each request to the correct reply.

- 1 May I come in?
- 2 Could you ring back later?
- 3 Can we meet on Saturday?
- 4 May I take your number?
- 5 Can your sister come?
- 6 Could they buy some bread on the way home?
- 7 Can I see your homework?
- 8 Could we try the cake?
- 9 Can you translate it?

- a I'm not sure. I'll ask her.
- b No, the shop is closed.
- c Sorry, I don't know Italian.
- d Sure, I'll phone again in an hour.
- e Yes, take some. It's very good.

- f No, I'm busy at the weekend.
- g I haven't done it yet.
- h One moment, I'll open the door.
- i Sure. 737 - 52 - 25.

B Write sentences asking for permission.

1 I want to go out.



Can I go out, please?

2



I want to speak to Sarah.

3



We want to come home late tonight.

4



I want to ride your bike.

C In your notebook, write a request for each situation using *can*, *could*, *may* and the words in brackets. Use *may* when you need to be very polite.

- 1 You are in a very expensive cafe. You want a coffee. (I / have)
May I have a coffee?
- 2 You are lost. You see an old man with a mobile phone. (I / use)
- 3 Your computer won't work. Your friend is good with computers. (you / help)
- 4 You are late for class. You want to go into the room. (I / come in)
- 5 You want to see your friend after school. (we / meet)
- 6 You have invited your friend to a party. You like his CD. (you / bring)
- 7 It is cold. Your friend is in front of an open window. (you / close)
- 8 You are going to play tennis with a friend. You have the ball. (we / start)

MY TEST!

Circle the correct option.

- 1 Dear Jim. Can you my friend? a be b being c to be
- 2 A: Excuse me. your toilet, please? B: Yes, of course. a May I use b May I using c May I to use
- 3 for my sixteenth birthday? a May you give me a car b Could give you me a car c Could you give me a car
- 4 Dear Jim. Please a new mobile phone? a could have my sister b could my sister has c could my sister have
- 5 A: Mum? Can we have a dog? B: No, we a don't b haven't c can't

D These emails to Jim are not polite. In your notebook, write polite versions of them using *can*, *could*, *may* and *please*.

1 Give me a Sony PlayStation



Could you please give me a Sony PlayStation? / Can you give me a Sony PlayStation, please?

2 Buy me a new bike



3 I want to visit London.



4 Translate this email from my friend in Mongolia.



5 Do my Geography homework.



6 Send my sister a birthday present.



7 I want to go into space.



8 I want to be in the next Spider-Man film.



MY TURN!

In your notebook, write emails to Jim. Make them polite with *can*, *could*, *may* and *please*.

Examples: Could I meet Roger Federer?

WORKBOOK

can, could, might and may

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Choose the correct option in *italics*.

- 1 When my grandad was younger, he *can* / *could* see very well but now he's old, he *can't* / *couldn't* read without glasses.
- 2 I'm not sure if I *can* / *may* finish this work today. I *can* / *might* have to do it tomorrow.
- 3 **A:** Where's Katie? I *can't* / *couldn't* find her.
B: She *can* / *might* be in the playground. I saw her going in that direction a few minutes ago.
- 4 The football match *can* / *may* be cancelled because it *might not* / *might* snow this weekend.
- 5 **A:** *Can* / *May* you play the piano?
B: No, but my brother *can* / *might* play very well.