

6B GRAMMAR *can, could, and be able to*

Complete the sentences with the correct form of *can, could, or be able to*.

- 1 My cousin can never find clothes that she likes.
- 2 Will I _____ change these batteries if they're the wrong type?
- 3 I _____ do my homework last night. It was too difficult.
- 4 Daniel _____ speak French very well – nobody understands a word he says!
- 5 They _____ come to the conference because there weren't any flights.
- 6 _____ you tell me where the nearest supermarket is, please?
- 7 Simon used to _____ play tennis quite well, but he's hopeless now.
- 8 I love _____ buy everything I need in the local shops.
- 9 You _____ be tired – it's only 9.00!
- 10 I might _____ leave work early on Friday.
- 11 If I got a pay rise, I _____ afford a new laptop.
- 12 You need to _____ swim well if you want to go surfing.
- 13 I spent hours looking for my wallet, but I _____ find it.
- 14 Laura _____ ride a horse since she was six years old.
- 15 The curtains _____ be too small! I measured the windows myself.
- 16 _____ I go to Joe's party on Saturday, please?
- 17 It was hard work, but we _____ assemble the furniture in the end.
- 18 Dad _____ fix the washing machine, so my parents bought a new one.



ACTIVATION

Complete the sentences so that they are true for you. Compare with a partner.

I can...really well.

When I was a child, I could...

The last time I went clothes shopping, I couldn't...

I'd really like to be able to...

In the next five years, I might be able to...

I hope I'll be able to...next year.