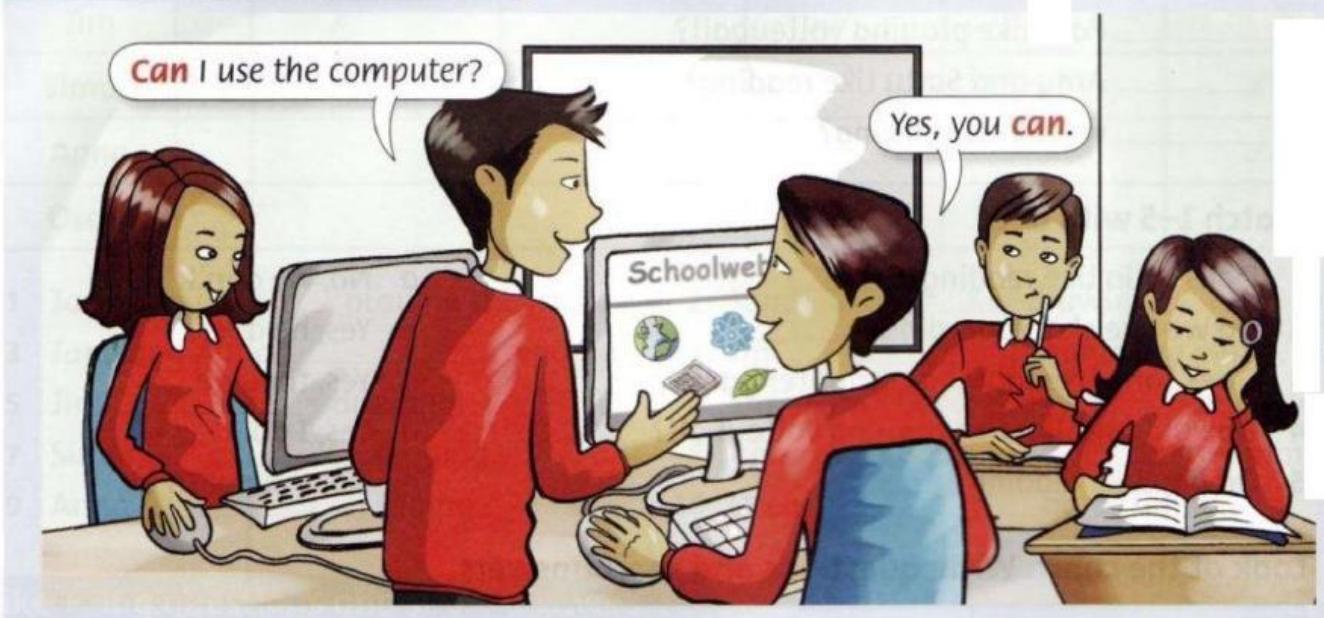


3 Our things

Can for ability, permission and requests
Possessive adjectives

Can for permission and requests



Questions

- Can I ...?
- Can you ...?
- Can he ...?
- Can she ...?
- Can it ...?
- Can we ...?
- Can you ...?
- Can they ...?

Short answers

- Yes, I **can**.
- Yes, you **can**.
- Yes, he **can**.
- Yes, she **can**.
- Yes, it **can**.
- Yes, you **can**.
- Yes, we **can**.
- Yes, they **can**.

- No, I **can't**.
- No, you **can't**.
- No, he **can't**.
- No, she **can't**.
- No, it **can't**.
- No, you **can't**.
- No, we **can't**.
- No, they **can't**.

We often use **can** to talk about ability.

I can play the guitar.

We use **Can I ...?** or **Can we ...?** when we ask permission to do something.

Can I ride your bike? Can we turn on the television?

We use **Can you ...?** when we ask someone to do something for us (a request).

We can add a **comma + please** at the end of a request to make it sound more polite.

Can you buy some bread? Can you turn off the radio, please?

When someone asks permission, we reply using the short answer form with **you**.

Can I use the computer? Yes, you can.

1 Read these sentences. Do they talk about permission or a request?

Write P or R.

- 1 Can I turn on the TV? P
- 2 Can you pass the sugar, please? _____
- 3 Can we play in the garden? _____
- 4 Can you turn off the radio? _____
- 5 Can you go to the shops for me? _____
- 6 Can we go out for dinner, Mum? _____

2 Write sentences to ask permission.

- 1 I / have / an apple / ?

Can I have an apple?

- 3 I / turn up / the radio / ?

- 5 I / take / this pen / ?

- 7 we / turn on / the DVD player / ?

- 2 I / use / your mobile phone / ?

- 4 I / turn down / the music / ?

- 6 we / borrow / these books / ?

- 8 we / listen to / the CD player / ?

3 Put the words in the correct order to write requests.

- 1 pass / sugar / Can / please / you / the / ?

Can you pass the sugar, please?

- 2 you / Can / please / the / turn up / radio / ?

- 3 Can / curtains / the / open / you / ?

- 4 you / turn off / the / Can / music / ?

- 5 turn down / you / television / please / Can / the / ?

- 6 wash / you / the / car / Can / please / ?

4 Match questions and answers from the box. Write them next to the pictures.

Can we sit here?

Can I have some cake?

~~Can I have an apple?~~

Can I borrow your newspaper, please?

Can I have a new handbag?

No, you can't.

Yes, you can.

No, you can't.

~~Yes, you can.~~

Yes, you can.



Can I have an apple?

Yes, you can.



5 Look at the table. Write questions to ask for permission and make requests.

Permission	Request
1 turn up the music	2 turn off the DVD player
3 go to the cinema	4 give me the newspaper
5 play with my friends	6 go to the shop for me
7 have a new coat	8 help me in the kitchen

1 Can I turn up the music?

2 Can you turn off the DVD player, please?

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Possessive adjectives

my your his her its your our or their

This is **my** DVD. That's **your** CD player.

6 Complete the sentences. Write **our**, **your**, or **their**.

1 Our book is red.

Your book is blue.



2 Is this _____ dog?

Yes, it's _____ dog.



3 Is this _____ camera?

No, it's _____ camera.

4 _____ cake is big.

_____ cake is small.

5 Is this _____ project?

Yes, it's _____ project.