

Practice

requests

Can I have some milk, please?*Can* you open the window, please?

permission

Can I go out with my friends, Mum?

1 Match questions 1–3 to the sentences on the right.

1 *Can* I have some coffee, please?

He's asking a person to do something.

2 *Can* I go home now, please?

He's asking for something.

3 *Can* you clean this table, please?

She wants to do something.

3 Write *Can I* or *Can you*, and then finish the requests with the words in the box.

a film, please home, please me in the park me Spanish
me with my homework some soup, please the table
~~the washing-up, please~~

0 Can you do the washing-up, please?

1 _____ go _____ ?

2 _____ clean _____ ?

3 _____ meet _____ ?

4 _____ watch _____ ?

5 _____ have _____ ?

6 _____ teach _____ ?

7 _____ help _____ ?

4 Write *request* or *permission* next to the questions.

0 Can you do the washing-up, please? request

1 Can I go home? _____

2 Can you clean the table? _____

3 Can you meet me in the park? _____

4 Can I watch a film, please? _____

5 Can I have some soup, please? _____

6 Can you teach me Spanish? _____

7 Can you help me with my homework? _____

2 Complete A's questions with *Can I* or *Can you*.
Then write B's answers. Use *Sure, no problem.* /
OK. / *Yes, of course.*

0 A: Can you buy me a new football,
please?

B: OK.

1 A: _____ watch TV, please, Dad?

B: _____

2 A: _____ use your digital camera? I
want to take a photo of your baby brother.

B: _____

3 A: _____ put these books on the
table, please?

B: _____

4 A: _____ help me with my
homework?

B: _____

5 A: _____ have an egg for breakfast,
Mum?

B: _____

6 A: _____ meet me in the park after
school?

B: _____

4 Choose the correct answers to complete the conversation.

Waiter: Good afternoon.

Woman: Oh, hello. Can I have a cup of coffee,
please?

Waiter: ¹ *Yes, of course. / Yes, please.* Would you
like some sugar with that?

Woman: ² *Yes, please. / OK.*

Waiter: And would you like anything to eat?

Woman: ³ *Yes, please. / Sure, no problem.*
Can I have an egg sandwich?

Waiter: ⁴ *Yes, please. / Yes, of course.*

Now practise the conversation in pairs.

1 Match to make questions.

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|-------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|
| 1 Can you clean | ● | ● | your smartphone, please? |
| 2 Can you put | ● | ● | football after school? |
| 3 Can I use | ● | ● | me your new fitness tracker? |
| 4 Can you help me | ● | ● | TV, please? |
| 5 Can we go | ● | ● | the window, please? |
| 6 Can we have | ● | ● | your books in your bag? |
| 7 Can we play | ● | ● | with my homework? |
| 8 Can you show | ● | ● | the table, please? |
| 9 Can I watch | ● | ● | to the park after school? |
| 10 Can I open | ● | ● | bread and cheese for breakfast? |

2 Read the questions. Is the person making a request or asking permission?

- 0 Can you clean the kitchen, please? _____
- 1 Can I have some chocolate, please? _____
- 2 Can you close the window, please? _____
- 3 Can you get me some milk from the shop, please? _____
- 4 Can I have a table for two, please? _____
- 5 Can I go to the park, please? _____

3 Match the questions from Exercise 2 with these answers.

- a** Yes, of course. Be home for dinner, OK?
- b** Sure, no problem. Do you want some bread too?
- c** OK. Are you feeling cold?
- d** Oh, Dad! It's your turn to clean it.
- e** Yes, of course. Come this way, please.
- f** No, you can't eat it every day, Alba!

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