



Week #2

Annex 1: Let's study **can** and **could** by watching some videos and study written explanation.



Modals – CAN, COULD

| CAN | COULD |
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| Ability | Ability |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I can speak three languages. She can play the piano. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I could play a guitar when I was a child. I could smell something burning. |
| Offer | Suggestion |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can I help you? I can send this letter for you. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I could help you with Spanish. They could go to the movies if you are interested. |
| Possibility | Possibility |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Smoking can cause cancer. It can get very hot there these days. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A lot of crime could be prevented. You could have called first. |
| Request | Request |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can you hand me the pencil? Can I go to the park? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Could you hand me the pencil? Could I go to the park? |
| Permission | Permission |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can I borrow your notebook? Can I speak to Mary? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Could I borrow your notebook? Could I speak to Mary? |

More videos about
can and could.



Can and Could.

Exercise #2: Choose the correct answer to complete each sentence.

1. I know how to speak English and German. I... speak two languages
a) can't
b) can
c) could
2. (A) Can he swim?
(B) Yes, he...
a) can
b) could
c) can't
3. I don't know where to park my car. Where... my car?
a) can park
b) I can park
c) can I park
4. I don't understand this math problem. Can he... me?
a) helps
b) help
c) helping
5. He... run very fast last year, but now he can.
a) couldn't
b) can
c) can't
6. (A) Do you think that they can cook well?
(B) Yes, I...
a) am
b) can
c) do
- 7....find some information about travelling in Europe?
a) Where can I
b) Where I can
c) Where can I
- 8) I was late for class last Thursday because I ...start my car.
a) couldn't
b) can't
c) could
9. I need someone to teach my classyou....my class?
a) Can / teach
b) Could / teaches
c) Can / teaching
10. I'm very sorry, but I don't think I ...you.
a) can help
b) couldn't help
c) can't help
11. The company is looking for a person who ...
a) can't work hard
b) can work hard
c) couldn't work hard
12. (A) Can she...?
(B) No, she can't right now.
a) answers the phone
b) answer the phone
c) answering the phone



Can, could and would for invitations, offers, requests and permission

Exercise #3 - Choose one option to complete blank spaces accurately.

CHINESE NEW YEAR

Daisy: Wow, it's cold out there! You're home early. Are you alright?

Oliver: Never better ... Hey, you 1) _____ pass me that plate, 2) _____ you? Please?

a) couldn't

a) could

b) could you

b) can't Liz

c) can I

c) may you

Thanks. But the heating at college broke down this morning, so when our accountancy lecturer said "Ladies and gentlemen, would you like a free afternoon to study at home?" Well, it was an offer we

3) _____ refuse really. It was freezing!

a) can

b) couldn't

c) not refuse

Daisy: Well, I see you've been busy. What is it? 4) _____ I have a taste?

a) Can

b) Could

c) Should

Oliver: Yes, of course you 5) _____! Here. What do you think?

a) cannot

b) can

c) couldn't

Daisy: Mmmm. Wow, that's really good soup, there, big brother. What is it?

Oliver: It's a country recipe. I found it in one of Gran's old cookery books. But I've made a lot. Why don't you call Amy? You 6) _____ ask her round for dinner, if you like. There's more than

a) should

b) can

c) cannot

enough. I've made bread too, look.

Daisy: You are one amazing brother!



Oliver: I know. Now go and phone.

Daisy: Amy? Oh, hi, Mrs Hao. 7) _____ I speak to Amy, please? ... Thank you ... Amy?

- a) Could
- b) Can
- c) Must

It's Daisy.

Amy: Hi! What's up?

Daisy: Would you like to come to our house for dinner?

Amy: Ah, yes, that would be really cool. Thank you. And 8) _____ you say thanks to your

- a) could
- b) should
- c) not could

mum for me?

Daisy: Well, actually, she isn't here. It's Oliver's idea. He's made some wonderful soup. And bread.

Amy: Nice! I could bring something for dessert, if you like. I 9) _____ make an apple cake ...

- a) couldn't
- b) cannot
- c) can

Pardon, Mum? Ah, thanks! It's Chinese New Year, so we've got some special sweets here. My mother says I 10) _____ take some to your house, so you can try them.

- a) can
- b) might
- c) could not

Daisy: Oh yes! Chinese New Year! Mum's in Hong Kong this week, writing about the celebrations. She emailed us some photos. But I thought your family's from Cambridge ... ? Do you celebrate Chinese New Year?

Amy: Yes, of course! Three of my grandparents are from Hong Kong, in fact – though my mother's father is Scottish. My parents and I are British, but we celebrate as a family. Listen, I'd better go and make that cake, or it'll be too late.

Daisy: OK! Oh, Mum's calling. See you in an hour.

Amy: Great. See you.

Daisy: Hi, Mum!

Sophie: Hi! Listen, it's just after midnight here and it's really noisy ...

Oliver: Wow, it sounds amazing!



Sophie: It is. Plus I've recorded some great interviews and got some fantastic photos for the blog.

WOW!

Daisy: You 11)_____ send some photos to Amy too, 12)_____ you, Mum? Is that OK?

a) couldn't

a) can

b) should not

b) could

c) cannot

c) must

Her family's from Hong Kong – I'm sure she'd love to see it.

Sophie: Yes, no problem, but don't give me her email address now, I 13)_____ hear anything

a) could not

b) could

c) can't

very well! It's too loud!

Daisy: OK.

Sophie: I'll phone you again tomorrow morning, OK?

Oliver / Daisy: OK. Love you.

Sophie: Love you too.

Oliver: She's having fun.

Daisy: Yes. I miss her.

Oliver: Me too.

Daisy: Amy? Is everything OK?

Amy: Yes, fine. My mother says would you two like to have dinner with us tomorrow? She says we can celebrate Chinese New Year together. And Dad says we can have special food – he'll make it – and we've got fireworks and ... you know ... if you like ...

Daisy: We'd love to!

Exercise #4: Choose the answer to each question by dragging appropriate option to blank spaces.

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| No, I'm Ok, thanks, I've just had one. |
| Well, actually, my mum's not feeling well. Maybe another time. |
| Yes, sure. Where do you want to put it? |
| I suppose so. But I need it back before Friday. |
| Oh, I'd love to, thank you. |
| Oh, yes, please! Could you? |
| I'm so sorry, I'm not from around here. |
| Yes, of course. Here you go. |



- 1- Would you like to come for lunch this weekend?
- 2- Can you help me with this table a moment?
- 3- Could you tell me where the nearest bank is, please?
- 4- Would you like me to ask my brother?
- 5- Can I come round to your house later?
- 6- Could you lend me £20, please?
- 7- Can I get you a cup of tea?
- 8- Would you mind passing me that menu, please?



Annex 2: Let's study would like and want to.

Would like to / Want to

Point 1: Use both 'would like to + verb' and 'want to + verb' to express desires.

1. I would like to buy a new car.
2. I want to buy a new car.
3. I'd like to travel overseas.
4. I want to travel overseas.

Point 2: Use both structures to make questions.

1. Would you like to eat? (more polite)
2. What do you want to eat?
3. Would you like some coffee? (more polite)
4. Do you want some coffee?

Point 3: Use both structures to make affirmative statements.

1. I would like to sit down. (more polite)
2. I want to sit down.
3. I'd like to leave. (more polite)
4. I want to leave.

Point 4: Usually speakers only use 'want to + verb' in negative statements.

1. I don't want to watch TV.
2. I don't want to study.
3. She doesn't want to work here.
4. They don't want to go out.

Point 5: In Yes / No questions, the auxiliary verb must match the question form.

- **Would you like to have a pet?**
- Yes, I would.
- No, I wouldn't.
- **Do you want a pet?**
- Yes, I do.
- No, I don't.

What would you like to do?



Todd: That's nice.

Darcy: How about you?

Todd: Well, I love the beach and I like to go to the beach a lot, but I'd like to live in the mountains. I want to live in a forest or around a lot of trees. I love trees and I like to go hiking so I want to live where it's very rural, but not far from the city and I can go hiking a lot. I want to have a dog because if I have a dog, I can take the dog walking with me. That would be really nice.

Darcy: I want to live somewhere that's kind of suburban, close to a city but quiet but also, I want to have a home that has a yard and I don't need a fence but I would like to be nearby neighbors and where people are friendly, instead of kind of too tight together or too spread apart.

Todd: Right. What about transportation? Any type of car? What type of car would you like to have?

Darcy: I think I would like to have a chauffeur.

Todd: A driver? You'd like to have a driver?

Darcy: Because I don't have my license yet.

Todd: Oh I see.

Darcy: I want to get a license. I want to learn how to drive but if I can't, it would be convenient if I would have a chauffeur to drive me around.

Todd: Oh, wow.

Darcy: What about you? How do you like getting around?

Todd: Well, actually, I'd like to have a car, a nice car, maybe an all terrain Mercedes Benz or BMW. That would be nice, but I want to drive myself. I do not want to have a chauffeur, so I like to be by myself. I like to relax. I don't want to talk to somebody in the car. I want to be alone, so yeah, that's definitely not going to happen, but I'd like to have a car that looks nice in the city, but you can take out in nature. It's a little rugged, so that would be good. I don't want to have a small car. I don't want to have a sports car and I don't want to have a car that's really expensive