

UNIT 3: WILD LIFE
LANGUAGE FOCUS: Can for ability

Exercise 1 (a): Complete the sentences from the Quiz on page 36 with *can* or *can't*.

1. An eagle _____ see a small animal.
2. Ostriches _____ fly.
3. _____ a scorpion kill a human?
Yes, it _____ / No, it _____.
4. _____ elephants hear with their ears and their feet?
Yes, they _____ / No, they _____.

Exercise 1 (b): Choose the correct answers in Rules 1 to 4.

RULES

- 1 We use *can* / *can't* in affirmative sentences.
- 2 We use *can* / *can't* in negative sentences.
- 3 We use *do* and *does* / *can* and *can't* in questions and short answers.
- 4 The *he* / *she* / *it* forms of *can* are **different** / **the same**.

Exercise 2: Complete the dialogue with **can and **can't**. Question 1 has been done for you.**

Parrot I'm very intelligent. I ¹ **can** speak five languages.

Snake ² _____ you speak human languages?

Parrot Yes, I ³ _____. Can you speak many languages?

Snake No, I ⁴ _____,
but I ⁵ _____
eat animals
which are
bigger than
me.

Parrot Oh!

