5.3 Grammar

can questions and short answers

?	Short answers
Can I swim?	Yes, I can. / No, I can't.
Can you swim?	Yes, you can. / No, you can't.
Can he/she/it swim?	Yes, he/she/it can. / No, he/she/it can't.
Can we/you/they swim?	Yes, we/you/they can. / No, we/you/they can't.

What can we do? We can help.

1 Read the sentences and write questions.

1 They can swim. *Can they swim?*
2 I can draw. _____
3 Tom can run fast. _____
4 May can sing well. _____
5 We can help. _____
6 The cat can climb. _____

2 Look at the picture. Answer the questions with the short answers in the box.

Yes, he can. No, he can't. No, she can't.
No, it can't. Yes, they can. No, they can't.

1 Can Kit and Dug see the boat? *Yes, they can.*
2 Can the boy and girl swim? _____
3 Can their mum swim? _____
4 Can Dug swim? _____
5 Can the small dog help? _____
6 Can Dug help? _____

3 Write questions.

1 you / fix a bike?
Can you fix a bike?
2 you / play volleyball?
_____
3 your mum / speak English?
_____
4 your classmates / speak Spanish?
_____
5 you / ride a horse?
_____
6 your best friend / play the piano?
_____

4 Answer the questions in Exercise 3 so that they are true for you.

1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____
5 _____
6 _____

*** 5 Complete the dialogues with the correct form of the verb *can* and the verbs in the box.**

dance help play see

1 A: [1] *Can* you [2]_____ those red apples?
B: Yes, I [3]_____.
A: [4]_____ you [5]_____ me, please? I'm too short.
B: No problem.

2 A: [6]_____ they [7]_____?
B: Yes, they [8]_____.
A: [9]_____ the girl [10]_____ the piano too?
B: No, she [11]_____.

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