

Unit 5 Inventions

5a Robots and people

Grammar *can/can't*

1 Complete the sentences with *can* or *can't*.



Soccer with robots at the RoboCup in Singapore, June 2010

- 1 This robot play soccer.
- 2 Children fly.
- 3 Babies speak.
- 4 People run.
- 5 Babies see.
- 6 People speak.

Vocabulary abilities

2 Write the verbs.

cook drive play play ride sing
speak swim



1 the piano



2 a car



3 ping pong



4



5



6 a bike



7



8 English

Grammar *can* questions and short answers

3 Write questions with *can* for the photos in Exercise 2.

- 1 you
Can you play the piano?
- 2 you
- 3 your father/your mother
- 4 your sister/your brother
- 5 your mother
- 6 you
- 7 your brother
- 8 your friends

4 Complete the answers to the questions in Exercise 3.

- 1 No,
- 2 Yes,
- 3 No,
- 4 No,
- 5 Yes,
- 6 Yes,
- 7 No,
- 8 Yes,

5b Technology and me

Vocabulary technology

1 Write the words.



1 a c m r



2 a l p t p



3 a c l p h n



4 a v d c m r



5 a w b c m



6 h d p h n s

Grammar have/has

2 Look at the table. Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 Tatiana has a cell phone.
- 2 Alvaro has a cell phone.
- 3 Linzi and Jay have a webcam.
- 4 Boris has headphones.

Tatiana	✓				✓
Alvaro		✓	✓		
Linzi and Jay	✓			✓	
Boris		✓		✓	

3 Look at the example. Write true sentences about the people.

- 1 *Tatiana has a laptop and a webcam.*
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____

Vocabulary extra adjectives and nouns

4 Cross out the option that is not possible.

- 1 My backpack is ~~digital~~ / great / new.
- 2 My family is famous / fantastic / light.
- 3 These batteries are new / small / young.
- 4 Your bag is nice / friendly / light.
- 5 These robots are famous / new / young.
- 6 This photo is big / friendly / old.

Grammar adjective + noun

5 Write two sentences for each possible option in Exercise 4. Begin with *It's* or *They're*.

- 1 *It's a great backpack.*
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____

5c The Aquaduct bike

Reading an unusual bike

- 1 Look at the photo of a bike. Why is it unusual?
Choose the correct option (a–c).

- a It has three wheels.
- b It has pedals.
- c It has two water tanks.

- 1 a seat
2 water tanks
3 a wheel
4 a pedal



clean water



dirty water

- 2 Read a description of the bike. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

The Aquaduct bike is a very unusual bike. Like a normal bike, it has a seat and pedals, but unlike a normal bike, it has three wheels... and two water tanks! The bike has a big water tank and a small water tank. This is because in many parts of the world, water isn't clean. People can't drink it. But this bike can make the water clean. The bike is a new design and you can't buy it yet, but it is a really good idea for people in some parts of the world.

- 1 The name of the bike is the Aquaduct bike.
- 2 It can carry water.
- 3 It has two small water tanks.
- 4 It can make water clean.
- 5 You can buy the bike online.

Grammar *very, really*

- 3 Look at these sentences with *really*. Write *very* where possible.

- 1 It's a ^{very} really unusual bike.
- 2 It's a really great idea.
- 3 This design is really fantastic.
- 4 These bikes are a really good idea.
- 5 It has really fantastic wheels.
- 6 The water is really clean.

4 Word focus *this*

Match the questions and sentences (1–4) with the responses (a–d).

- 1 Is the bike shop on this street?
- 2 This is my friend Sara.
- 3 This is my new bike.
- 4 What's this in English?

- a It's really great!
- b It's "seat."
- c Hi, nice to meet you.
- d No, it isn't.

5d How much is it?

Vocabulary

1 Label the images below. Use these words.

a video camera
flash drives

an alarm clock
speakers



1 _____



2 _____



3 _____



4 _____

Writing

2 Put the words in the conversation below in order.

A: ¹ I / help / you / can / ?

C: ² much / these / are / how / speakers / ?

A: *They're eighty dollars.*

C: OK. ³ and / this / how / alarm clock / much / is / ?

A: *It's nineteen ninety-five.*

C: OK. *I'd like this alarm clock and the speakers, please.*

A: *That's ninety-nine dollars and ninety-nine cents, please.*

C: ⁴ I / can / cash / pay / with / ?

A: *Yes, of course.*

C: ⁵ you / are / here / .

3 Jane and Greg are at an electronics store. Steve, the owner, is trying to sell them speakers. Create a conversation between them below.

Steve: Hello, can I help you with anything?

Jane: Yes, we are looking for some speakers.

Steve: _____

Greg: _____

Steve: _____

Jane: _____

Steve: _____

Jane and Greg: Thank you!

Steve: Thank you, too!



5e Can you help me?

Writing an email

1 Writing skill *but*

a Read the sentences with *but*. Which sentences are incorrect?

- 1 The camera is good, but it's expensive.
- 2 I can swim, but I can't ride a bike.
- 3 The car is great, but it's cheap.
- 4 She can cook, but she can draw.
- 5 My bike is old, but it's fantastic.
- 6 This E-reader has a good screen, but it has a keyboard.

b Rewrite the pairs of sentences with *but*.

- 1 She can speak English. She can't speak Italian.
She can speak English, but she can't speak Italian.
- 2 My computer is new. My computer is very slow.
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- 3 This phone is very basic. This phone is cheap.
.....
- 4 This shop is big. This shop isn't very good.
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- 5 I can ride a motorcycle. I can't drive a car.
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- 6 She can speak Russian. She can't write in Russian.
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2 Read the email. Underline the three gadgets.

Hi Mike,
I'm in a new job in Los Angeles. My family is in San Francisco. I'd like a new phone with Skype or a laptop. I can't decide. (I have a computer in my job, but not at home.)
Can you help me?
Pascal

3 Match the two parts of the sentences.

- 1 Laptops are cheap, but
 - 2 Laptops are cheap and
 - 3 New phones are expensive,
 - 4 New phones are expensive, but
- a but Skype is cheap.
b they have cameras and MP3 players.
c they have a lot of programs.
d you can't carry a laptop in your pocket.

4 What is your answer to Pascal's question? Complete the email to Pascal with two sentences from Exercise 3.

Hi Pascal,

.....
.....
Good luck in your new job!
Mike



