



Week #2

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

 Modals – CAN, COULD	
CAN	COULD
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.

Exercise #1: Follow instructions in the page below.

CAN OR CAN'T

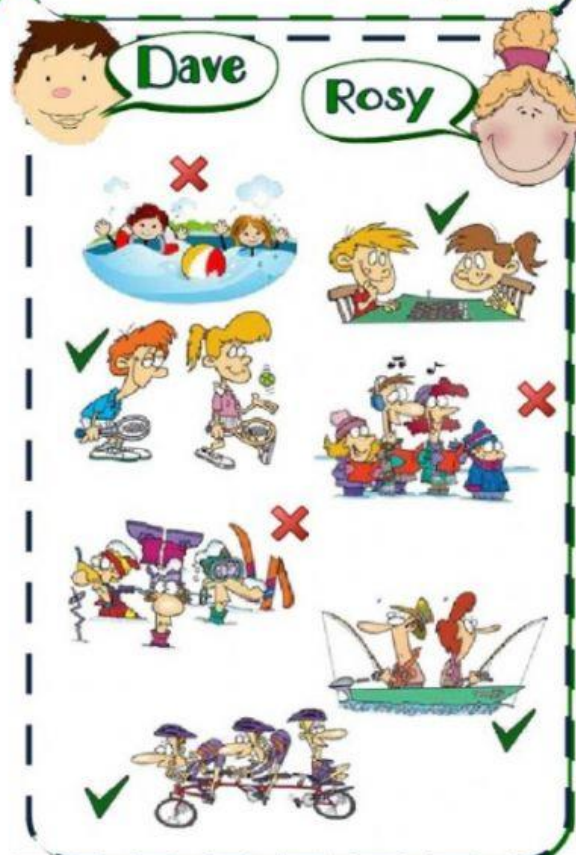


A) Complete the sentences with can or can't.

1. Sarah _____ play the guitar.
2. Simon _____ drive.
3. Rosy and Dave _____ swim.
4. They _____ play tennis.
5. Sarah _____ paint.
6. She _____ ski.
7. Simon _____ ride a horse.
8. He _____ skateboard.

B) Write true (T) or false (F).

- 1) Dave and Rosy can't ride a bike. _____
- 2) Sarah can paint pictures. _____
- 3) Simon can ride a horse. _____
- 4) Simon and Sarah can't play the guitar. _____





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!