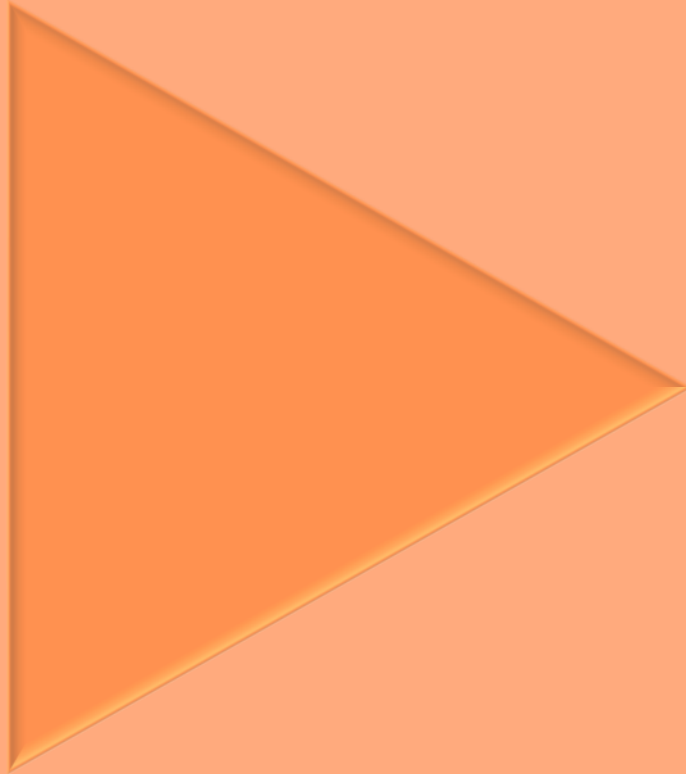


CAN-CAN'T



Ability

Permission

Request

+

S + can + V

I can dance

-

S+can't+V

I can't
dance

can not =
can't

?

Can + S+ V

Can you dance?

**1.
Use Can
to talk
about
abilities**

- I can play tennis.
- She can ride a horse
- They can sing.
- You can speak English.
- He can cook.
- I can't drive.
- We can't play the piano.

2.

**Use Can
to ask for
permission**

- Can we go out?
- Can I come in?
- Can I ask a question?
- Can I take a day off?
- Can I open the window?
- Can I smoke in here?

3.
Use Can
for
Requests

- Can you help me?
- Can you tell me the time?
- Can I have some water?
- Can you open the door?
- Can you turn on the music?

Exercises 1

*Put the
words in
correct
order*

- My father – very well – cook – can
-
- I – read – can –in English- not
-
- I – go out- can – tonight- ?
-
- I – use – can – your – phone -?
-
- Not – I – hear – can – you.
-

Exercises2

*Fill in the
gaps*

- My mother can speak English but she _____ speak Spanish.
- _____ you help me ,please?
- I can't sing but I _____ dance.
- He is good at cooking. He _____ cook delicious meals.
- _____ you hear me?

Exercises 1

Answer Key

- My father – very well – cook – can
- * My father can cook very well
- I – read – can – in English – not
- * I can't read in English.
- I – go out – can – tonight – ?
- * Can I go out tonight?
- I – use – can – your – phone – ?
- * Can I use your phone?
- Not – I – hear – can – you.
- * I can not hear you.

Exercise2 Answer Key

- My mother can speak English but she **can't** speak Spanish.
- **Can** you help me ,please?
- I can't sing but I **can** dance.
- He is good at cooking. He **can** cook delicious meals.
- **Can** you hear me?