



# Can



Can is one of the most commonly used modal verbs in English. It can be used to express ability or opportunity, to request or offer permission, and to show possibility or impossibility.



**Note:** A rule of using "can" is that the following verb of "can" has to be in the infinitive form.

**Affirmative:** S+ can+ V. +.....

It's used for expressing the ability or possibility of something.

**Example:** I can swim. / He can swim.

She can get to school by foot.

We can take a bus to the museum.



**Negative:** S+ cannot (can't)+ V.+ .....

It's used for expressing the disability and impossibility of something.

Example: I cannot speak Spanish.

It can't be worse.

They can't defeat us.



# Question and request: Can+ S+ V.+ .....?

It's used for asking for clarification, permission or a request.

Example: Can I take the BTS to Siam?

Can you love me?

Answer: Yes, S+ can.

No, S+ can't.

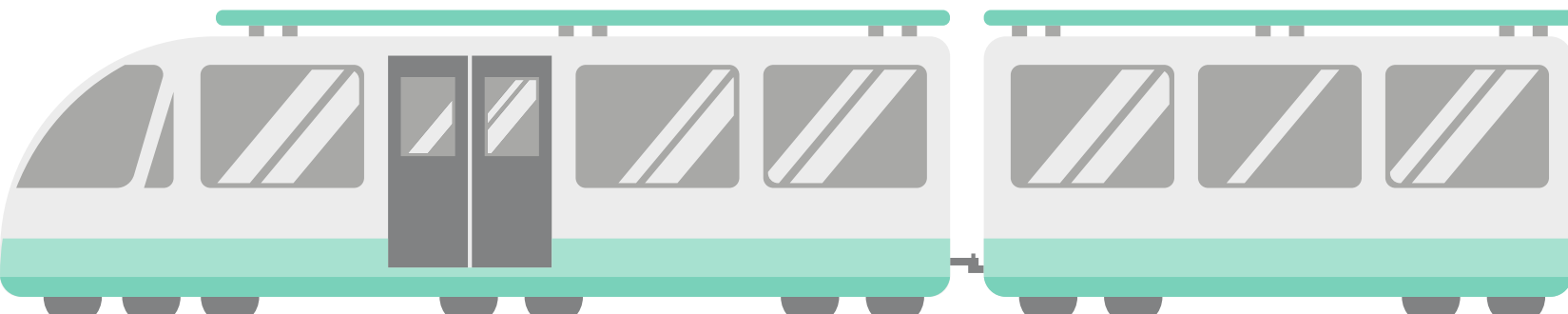
**Request:** Can you open the door for me?

**Permission:** Can I use your phone?

Answer: Sure.

Certainly.

Of course.



# Could

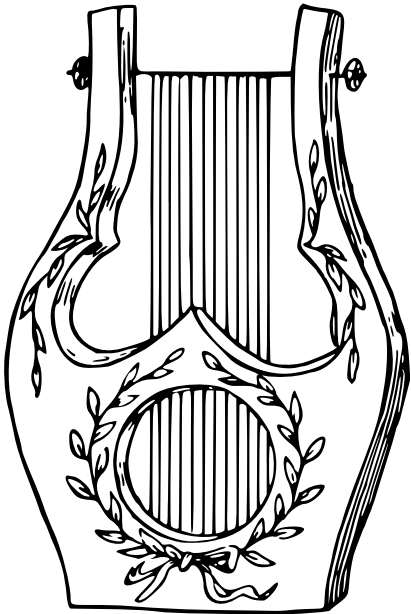
It's the past form of "can".

**Affirmative:** I could play a lyre.  
= I cannot play a lyre.

**Exception:** I could play a lyre when I was  
10.

He could tell me earlier.

**Negative:** I could not speak English.  
= I can speak English.



## Yes/No-Question:

Could you swim when you was 10?

## Specialty

To ask for permission or a request.

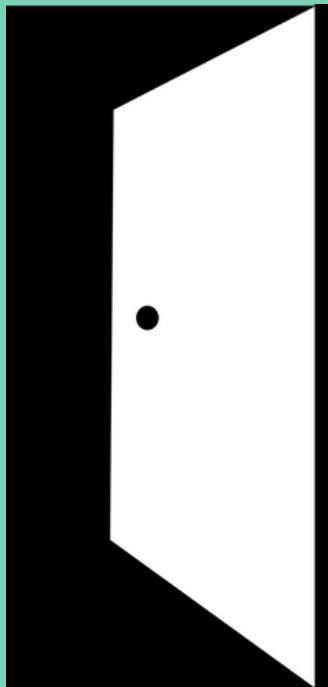
Can  $\longrightarrow$  Could ..... More polite

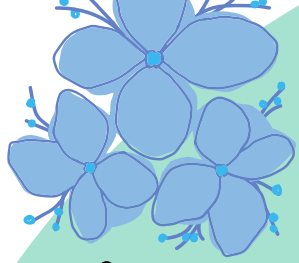
Can you open the door for me?



Could you open the door for me (please)?

Could I use your phone?





## Work time



**Directions:** You have to create your own "can" and "could" sentences by giving your own abilities or disabilities, the sentences must be;

2 affirmative sentences of can and could.

2 negative sentences of can and could.

1 asking for permission or a request question of can and could.

**Total sentences:** 10 sentences



\*Write down on your notebook then take the picture of the work and send it in the created album.\*

## Work guide



10-15 m.

### Can

Affirmative: I can .....(2)

Negative: I can't .....(2)

Question: Can you .....?(1)

### Could

Affirmative: I could .....(2)

Negative: I couldn't .....(2)

Question: Could you .....?(1)