

CAN / CAN'T

A1 | Teens / Adults | Grammar Question Writing | 20-30 minutes

Complete questions, write your answers and put words in order.

EXAMPLE

Question: **Can** you swim?

Answer: Yes, I **can**. I can swim well.

Remember: Can + subject + verb? I can / can't + verb.

A. COMPLETE AND ANSWER

Write Can or can in each question. Then write true answers.

1. _____ you ride a bike?

Answer: _____

2. What meal _____ you cook?

Answer: _____

3. _____ your friend sing well?

Answer: _____

4. What languages _____ you speak?

Answer: _____

5. _____ you play a musical instrument?

Answer: _____

6. What sport _____ your friend play?

Answer: _____

B. WRITE THE QUESTIONS

Put the words in order. Write each question. Start with a capital letter and add ?.

1. you / can / swim

2. your sister / can / drive

3. can / what / do / you / well

Try it: Ask your partner the questions in B. Listen to their answers.

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Answer key | Keep this page separate during student practice.

A. COMPLETE AND ANSWER

The missing words are shown below. These are sample answers; personal answers will vary.

1. Can - Can you ride a bike?

Sample answer: Yes, I can ride a bike.

2. can - What meal can you cook?

Sample answer: I can cook pasta.

3. Can - Can your friend sing well?

Sample answer: No, my friend can't sing well.

4. can - What languages can you speak?

Sample answer: I can speak Spanish and a little English.

5. Can - Can you play a musical instrument?

Sample answer: No, I can't play a musical instrument.

6. can - What sport can your friend play?

Sample answer: My friend can play tennis.

B. WRITE THE QUESTIONS

1. Can you swim?

2. Can your sister drive?

3. What can you do well?

TEACHER NOTES

The gaps practise the position and capitalisation of can. Check can + base verb in answers.

B: Accept other natural grammatical orders using all the words.

Time phrases/adverbs may move where natural. Check meaning and punctuation.

Accept correct full forms and contractions in personal answers.

Check question word order, capitals and question marks in B.