

Can & Cannot (Ability)

Level 6 – Unit 1

We can learn English!

Task 1: Check your understanding.

1 Put the verbs from the list below into the table. Is it a habit you do (yes/no)? Can you do it (yes/no)?

	 I ...	 I do not ...
habit	 cook	 swim, speak Korean
ability	 I can ... swim, cook	 I cannot ... speak Korean

verb list

Sample 1) swim
 Sample 2) speak Korean
 Sample 3) cook
 A) drive a car
 B) play the guitar
 C) travel alone
 D) bake bread
 E) drink beer
 F) dance
 G) paint

Partner		points
habit	ability	
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2 Share with your partner and check how many things you have in common.



I don't swim, but I can swim.



Oh, I swim and I can do it!

Task 2: Roommates.

1 Read each sentence and check (✓) the top three things that you can do at home if you live with someone else.

		1 you	2 Top 3 roommates
1	Blake can cook. He can build DIY furniture. But he cannot clean.	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	 Blake
2	Rob the Bot can clean all day. But it can cost a lot of money. And it can break down.	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	 Rob the Bot
3	Claire can speak many languages. She can talk about anything. But she can sometimes bring friends home.	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	 Claire
4	Meg and Ted can pay more money. They can help clean. But they can argue a lot. (argue = fight with words)	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	 Meg and Ted
5	Mitchelle can fix anything. He can carry heavy things. But he cannot cook.	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	 Mitchelle
6	Lin and Jack can organize anything. They can do groceries and the laundry. But they can't speak quietly.	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	 Lin and Jack
7	Cookie can't do house chores. It can be noisy. But it can make people happy.	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	 Cookie

2 You will move to a big house. Choose **three roommates**.

3 There was a change in plans. You will live with **your partner**. Share what you can do. Then decide on **two other roommates**.

Roommate 1 (partner)	Roommate 2	Roommate 3



I can fix anything.



I want to live with Cookie...

Nice, I can pay more money



Why?



Task 3: Recruiting the roommate.

1 Listen to the conversations and circle (O) the pictures if the speakers can do something or cross (X) if they cannot.

name	1 can or cannot				good points	2 bad points
	cook	drive	save	bake		
Kate						
Wilson						
Alberto						
Felicia						

2 Make notes on the good and bad points of each speaker.

3 Rate each roommate (1 – best to 4 – worst).



Kate



Wilson



Alberto



Felicia

Task 4: Check the grammar.

1 Check if the sentences are correct. If they are not correct, please correct them.

Example: Bob play tennis tomorrow.
Bob played tennis yesterday. / Bob will tennis tomorrow.

1	He can plays guitar.
2	My cousins not can drink many water.
3	You can is a good student.
4	I want to sing, but I don't sing because I have a sore throat.
5	Olivia's dog can swimming, but me's can.
6	My boss can kind for two hour.
7	I can work as a Japanese teacher, so I can speak English.

Task 5: Super team.

1 Everyone has some special skills. Write three special things you can do and three things you cannot do.

Example:

- I can fix machines.
- I cannot distinguish colors apart.

superpower
can do

weak point
cannot do

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2 Share your skills (can and can't do) with your partners. Then, for each partner, choose the top skills (can/cannot do).

Partner

top superpower
can do

top weak point
cannot do

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3 Now create your superhero team. Choose a team name, and a nickname for each team member.

Team:

Nickname: Superpower:

Nickname: Superpower:

Nickname: Superpower: