



Lesson A1-19 | True Beginner | CEFR A1

Can - Abilities

Use the words in the Grammar Challenge to complete the gaps.

Conversation 1

Woman: What _____ can you play?

Man: I can _____ baseball a bit, and I can play tennis pretty well.

Woman: Can you play football?

Man: No, I am terrible at football. What about you?

Woman: Yeah, I can play football. I like it a lot, but I'm not _____.

Man: I bet you're _____ good.

Woman: No, really! I'm not that good.

Conversation 2

Man: What languages can you speak?

Woman: I can _____ Japanese and French.

Man: Wow, can you _____ in Japanese?

Woman: I _____ write a little bit but not that much.

Man: Yeah, I hear kanji is really difficult.

Woman: Yeah, it's really difficult. What about you? What languages can you speak?

Man: I can speak some Spanish, but not great. I can also speak Thai.

Woman: Wow! Can you write in Thai?

Man: No, but I can _____ it. Writing is really difficult.

Woman: Still, that's pretty cool.

Conversation 3

Man: So, are you a _____ cook?

Woman: Not really, but I can cook basic stuff.

Man: Yeah? What _____ you cook?

Woman: I can make pasta dishes and some French cuisine. What about you?

Man: I _____ cook anything. I can only _____ an omelet.

Woman: Well, that's not too bad. Can you make pancakes?

Man: No, I can't even make that.

Conversation 4

Quiz

1) Who can play football?

- a) He can.
- b) She can.

2) Who can speak Thai?

- a) He can.
- b) She can.

3) What can he make?

- a) pancakes
- b) omelets

4) Who can sing well?

- a) Just her
- b) Just him

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Speaking Challenge

Match the answers with the questions.

- 1) What sports can you play?
- 2) What dishes can you cook?
- 3) Can you sing very well?
- 4) What else can you do?
- 5) What languages can you speak?

- [_] No, I have a terrible voice.
- [_] I can read and write in French.
- [_] I can play basketball.
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What about you? Share your answers to the questions.

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Woman: I am going to Karaoke with friends. Do you want to come?

Man: No, thanks. I can't sing _____

Woman: Oh, you _____ come. Singing is fun.

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