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Essential English

Training 4: Can (Part 1)

Hi. I am Marianne. I want to help you learn English. This is a lesson for total beginners or almost beginners. For more advanced courses listen to “Your English” or “QualityTime-ESL Podcasts”. In this lesson I ask you to repeat certain words and short combinations of words. It is easy. It is time to start.

Repeat after me. Can, Can

Repeat with a pronoun in the affirmative.

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|---------|--------|---------|----------|
| I can | We can | She can | You can* |
| I can | We can | She can | You can* |
| You can | He can | It can | They can |
| You can | He can | It can | They can |

**Please notice we use “you” two times: first in the singular and then in the plural.*

Now I will say a pronoun and you will repeat it with “can” after the pronoun. Listen to the examples.

*I say: I...
You say: I can.*

*I say: You...
You say: You can.*

Now you do it.

| | | | |
|---------|--------|---------|----------|
| I | We | She | You |
| I can | We can | She can | You can |
| You | He | It | They |
| You can | He can | It can | They can |

Next repeat with a pronoun in a question.

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|----------|---------|----------|-----------|
| Can I? | Can we? | Can she? | Can you? |
| Can I? | Can we? | Can she? | Can you? |
| Can you? | Can he? | Can it? | Can they? |
| Can you? | Can he? | Can it? | Can they? |

Now I will say a pronoun and you will say the question with “can” before the pronoun. Listen to the examples.



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I say: I...

You say: Can I?

I say: You...

You say: Can you?

Now you do it. Speak before I give the answer.

I

Can I?

You

Can you?

We

Can we?

He

Can he?

She

Can she?

It

Can it?

We

Can we?

They

Can they?

Good work!

Now repeat after me: Help, help

I can help.

You can help.

He can help.

She can help.

It can help.

We can help.

You can help.

They can help.

And here is an exercise. Listen to the examples.

I say: I...

You say: I can help.

I say: We...

You say: We can help.

Now you do it.

I

I can help.

We

We can help.

You

You can help.

He

He can help.

She

She can help.

It

It can help.

You

You can help.

They

They can help.

Finally an exercise with questions. Listen to the examples.

I say: I...

You say: Can I help?

I say: You...

You say: Can you help?

Now you do the same. Speak before I speak.

I

Can I help?

You

Can you help?

He

Can he help?

She

Can she help?

It

Can it help?

We

Can we help?

You

Can you help?

They

Can they help?

Very good! If you have time, do this lesson again. The script is free on our website. That's the end of this lesson. Thank you for listening. Goodbye. Bye, bye for now.

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