

ENGLISH

# Unit 1: To Be Able To and To Do



*Pre-Intermediate English with*

**THE INSPIRE ACADEMY**



Le verbe 'Pouvoir'

# VERB: TO BE ABLE TO - Present simple of can

am able, is able, are able, can

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Positive Present Tense Examples:

- I can go the market today.
- I am able to go to the market today.
- She can help us move today.

Negative Present Tense Examples:

- I cannot go to the market today.
- I can't go to the market today.
- We can't go to the part on Friday.

Positive Statements.

Translate these sentences in your language: \_\_\_\_\_

I can, I am able to - \_\_\_\_\_

You can, You are able to - \_\_\_\_\_

He/She/It can, is able to - \_\_\_\_\_

We can, are able to - \_\_\_\_\_

You all can, are all able to - \_\_\_\_\_

They can, are able to - \_\_\_\_\_

## Negative Statements

I cannot - (I can't) \_\_\_\_\_

You cannot - (You can't ) \_\_\_\_\_

He/She/It cannot - \_\_\_\_\_

(He/She/It can't) \_\_\_\_\_

We cannot - (We can't) \_\_\_\_\_

They cannot - (They can't) \_\_\_\_\_

Le verbe 'Faire'

# VERB: TO DO - Present simple of do

do, does

Positive Present Tense Examples:

- I am doing the laundry.
- I do the dishes everyday.
- He does many things at once.

Negative Present Tense Examples:

- I don't do anything on Sundays.
- They don't like going to the fair.
- She doesn't do much other than work.

## Positive Statements.

Translate these sentences in your language:

I do - \_\_\_\_\_

You do - \_\_\_\_\_

He/She/It does - \_\_\_\_\_

We do - \_\_\_\_\_

You all do - \_\_\_\_\_

They do - \_\_\_\_\_

## Negative Statements:

I do not - (I don't) \_\_\_\_\_

You do not - (You don't ) \_\_\_\_\_

He/She/It does not - \_\_\_\_\_

(He/She/It doesn't) \_\_\_\_\_

We do not - (We don't) \_\_\_\_\_

They do not - (They \_\_\_\_\_

don't) \_\_\_\_\_

# EXERCISE

Change the statements into negative sentences:

1) I can try again next time.

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2) I always do the dishes.

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3) We do this every Friday.

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4) She can play every instrument.

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5) He does a lot of push-ups.

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6) They can do what they want.

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7) You do many things at the same time.

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8) She does a lot of writing in her free time.

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9) You can sleep here when you want.

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# EXERCISE

Fill in the gaps with: can, cannot, can't, do, does, doesn't or don't

- 1) My brother .....!... drive yet. He will, but he .....!... practice.
- 2) We ..... buy a new car, but it ..... be red because my mom hates red.
- 3) I ..... fashion modeling. I ..... keep a lot of clothes they give me.
- 4) She .....!... garden very well. I .....!... know why flowers always die.
- 5) They .....!... like that neighborhood, but they ..... like this one.
- 6) I ..... be a shoe collector. How many shoes ..... one need to be called a collector?



# AUDIO EXERCISE

For this audio exercise please listen to the speaker as they say different sentences using to be able to and to do.

On the following page please restate what they say but from your perspective and in negative form.

Listen carefully and remember to conjugate to yourself and not the person they described!

Good luck!

Bonne chance!





# FRIEND EXERCISE

For this friend exercise you and your friend must each take turns asking each other what they dislike and respond with the negative form of do. (Ex. I don't like potatoes).

Then you must do 5 things which describe what you can do. (Ex. if you can jump, then you should jump). Your partner must then say what you are doing using the word can.

Get creative and try to use many different actions of what you can do!

Good luck!

Bonne chance!