

Helping verbs: can

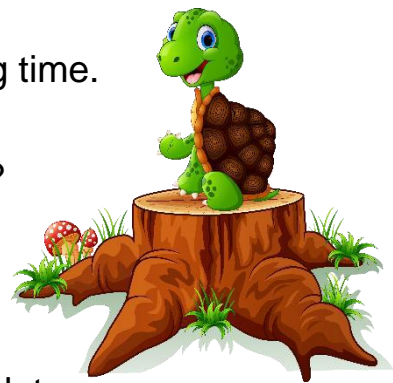
Grade 4 Verbs Worksheet

Is “**can**” being used to express possibility, permission, willingness, or ability?

Hint:
Can is used to express possibility, permission, willingness, and ability.

Ability

- _____ 1. He can do a handstand.
- _____ 2. Can you do the dishes for me?
- _____ 3. Can I go to my friend’s house to play video games?
- _____ 4. For dinner, we can have pizza or tacos.
- _____ 5. The boss can let you have a day off.
- _____ 6. Can we please have a longer recess?
- _____ 7. I can hold my breath for ten seconds.
- _____ 8. A turtle can live for a very long time.
- _____ 9. Can you please pass the salt?
- _____ 10. My dad can drive really well.
- _____ 11. School can close if it snows a lot.
- _____ 12. We can wear our pajamas to school on spirit days.



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Answers

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