

1 GRAMMAR ability and possibility, reflexive pronouns

a Read the sentences. If both forms are correct, check (✓) the sentence. If only one form is correct, circle the correct form.

- 1 She *can* / *is able to* swim really well because she used to live by the ocean. ☒
- 2 You need to *can* / *be able to* drive to live in the country. ☐
- 3 Luke *could* / *was able to* read when he was only three years old. ☐
- 4 If it doesn't rain tomorrow, we *can* / *we'll be able to* go for a long walk. ☐
- 5 Sorry, I've been so busy that I *haven't could* / *haven't been able to* call until now. ☐
- 6 If Mai-ting had a less demanding job, she *could* / *would be able to* enjoy life more. ☐
- 7 I've never *could* / *been able to* dance well, but I'd love to learn. ☐
- 8 We're really sorry we *couldn't* / *weren't able to* come to your wedding. ☐
- 9 I *used to can* / *used to be able to* speak a little Arabic, but I've forgotten most of it now. ☐
- 10 *Can you* / *Will you be able to* pick me up at the train station when I arrive? ☐
- 11 To work for this company, you *must can* / *must be able to* speak at least three languages. ☐
- 12 I hate *not can* / *not being able to* communicate with the local people when I'm traveling. ☐

b Read Tyler Ruiz's résumé. Then complete the sentences with the correct form of *can*, *could*, or *be able to*.

- 1 Tyler can sail.
- 2 He _____ speak a little Chinese when he started working in Hong Kong.
- 3 He _____ speak German.
- 4 He _____ design websites since 2004.
- 5 He _____ finish his PhD before he left the US.
- 6 He'd like _____ speak Russian.
- 7 He _____ speak a little Russian soon.



Name: Tyler Ruiz

Date of Birth: 09/22/1985

Education

- Degree in French with Marketing (2008)
- Master's in Business Administration (2011)
- Started PhD in Business (2014) – incomplete

Work Experience

- **2003–2005:** Trainer and Operator with Texas Instruments, London
- **2008–2014:** Assistant then Marketing Manager, Texas Instruments, Dallas, US
- **2014–present:** Managing Director, AHH Marketing Services Ltd., Hong Kong

Other Skills

- IT skills – advanced
- Course in web design 2004

Languages

- French (fluent)
- Chinese (basic) certificate 2013
- I hope to start Russian classes next January.

Hobbies and Interests

- Watersports, especially sailing and windsurfing

c Match the sentence halves.

- 1 Thanks for inviting me yesterday. I really enjoyed c
- 2 She got the job because she'd prepared _____
- 3 Have a great time, you two! I'm sure you'll enjoy _____
- 4 My new printer is much better than my old one. It even turns _____
- 5 We really wanted to watch the sunrise, so we kept _____
- 6 He fell down the stairs, but luckily he didn't hurt _____
- 7 They've been saving to buy _____

- a himself badly.
- b ourselves awake by listening to music.
- c myself at the concert.
- d itself off when it isn't being used.
- e yourselves at the party.
- f themselves a house since they got married.
- g herself well for the interview.

2 PRONUNCIATION sentence stress

a 4.2 Listen and complete the sentences.



- 1 She can sing _____ very well _____.
- 2 I've _____ been _____ to _____.
- 3 Can you _____ the _____?
- 4 You _____ be _____ to _____.
- 5 He _____ been _____ to _____ to _____.
- 6 We _____ the _____.

b 4.2 Listen again and repeat the sentences. Copy the rhythm.

3 VOCABULARY -ed / -ing adjectives

a Complete the sentences with the correct adjective in **bold**.



- 1 **amazed / amazing**
Venice is an amazing city. You really must go there one day.
- 2 **embarrassed / embarrassing**
I felt very _____ when I realized my mistake.
- 3 **frightened / frightening**
He's _____ of dogs. He can't go anywhere near them.
- 4 **excited / exciting**
The final half of the game was really _____.
- 5 **bored / boring**
I enjoyed the book, but the movie was a little _____.
- 6 **annoyed / annoying**
I can't stand this quiz show. The host is really _____.
- 7 **depressed / depressing**
I'm fed up with this terrible weather – it's so _____.
- 8 **disappointed / disappointing**
Max was very _____ when he wasn't chosen for the job.
- 9 **tired / tiring**
Everyone was _____ after the walk, so nobody felt like going out in the evening.
- 10 **frustrated / frustrating**
I got very _____ when I couldn't log onto my bank's website.

b Complete the sentences with the -ed or -ing form of the verbs from the list.

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embarrass excite frighten frustrate tire

- 1 I'm really annoyed with my brother – it makes me so angry when he forgets my birthday!
- 2 My sister can't swim. She's _____ of the water.
- 3 Looking after small children can be very _____. They have a lot of energy.
- 4 I was very _____ when my phone rang during the meeting. I could feel my face getting red.
- 5 His class grades were very _____. He failed every subject.
- 6 I'm really _____ about going to Australia. It's the first time I've been abroad!
- 7 This show is really _____. Can we watch something more interesting?
- 8 I always feel _____ at the end of a vacation. Sometimes I'm unhappy for days!
- 9 She tried for a long time to get back onto the surfboard, but in the end she got _____ and gave up.
- 10 We took lots of photos because the view was so _____.



c Write true sentences about you using the words in bold.

1 annoying

My little brother is sometimes very annoying.

2 bored

3 amazing

4 exciting

5 frightened

6 disappointed

7 frustrating

8 embarrassed