

GRAMMAR REFERENCE

WELCOME

a/an

- We use *a* before a noun that begins with a consonant.

a book **a** game

- We use *an* before a noun that begins with a vowel (a, e, i, o, u).

an elephant **an** apple

Plural nouns

Spelling rules

Most nouns	cat bicycle	+ -s	cats bicycles
Nouns ending -s, -ch, -sh, -x, -o or -z	match bus tomato	+ -es	match es bus es tomato es
Nouns ending consonant + -y	party	change -y to -ies	part ies
Irregular nouns	man woman		men women

can: ability

Affirmative

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

Negative

Full form	Contracted form
I cannot	I can't
You cannot	You can't
He cannot	He can't
She cannot	She can't
It cannot	It can't
We cannot	We can't
You cannot	You can't
They cannot	They can't

Questions

Can I ...?	Can we ...?
Can you ...?	Can you ...?
Can he ...?	Can they ...?
Can she ...?	
Can it ...?	

Short answers

Affirmative	Negative
Yes, I can.	No, I can't.
Yes, you can.	No, you can't.
Yes, he can.	No, he can't.
Yes, she can.	No, she can't.
Yes, it can.	No, it can't.
Yes, we can.	No, we can't.
Yes, you can.	No, you can't.
Yes, they can.	No, they can't.

- We use *can* and *can't* to talk about abilities.
I can speak French.
- We use the infinitive without *to* after *can* and *can't*.
He can swim. NOT **He can to swim.**
- We do not add -s to the third person singular form.
He can play the guitar. NOT **He cans play...**

Imperatives

Affirmative	Go away! Listen. Tell me your name.
Negative	Don't do that. Don't play there. Don't go.

- We use the imperative to give an order or instruction.
- We form the affirmative imperative with the infinitive without *to*.
Walk quickly.

WORD LIST

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English you need

• Imperatives

answer	/ˈɑːnsə/
ask	/ɑːsk/
check	/tʃek/
listen	/ˈlɪsn/
match	/mætʃ/
read	/riːd/
repeat	/riːpiːt/
write	/raɪt/

UNIT 1

Favourite things

bike	/baɪk/
books	/bʊks/
camera	/'kæmərə/
cat	/kæt/
clothes	/kləʊðz/
computer	/kəm'pjʊ:tə/
games	/geɪmz/
DVD	/diːviː'diː/
games console	/geɪmz 'kɒnsəʊl/
mobile	/'məʊbaɪl/
MP3 player	/empiː'əriː 'pleɪə/
piano	/piː'ænəʊ/
trainers	/'treɪnəz/

Sports

basketball	/'bɑːskɪtbɔːl/
cycling	/'saɪklɪŋ/
football	/'fʊtbɔːl/
horse riding	/hɔːs 'raɪdɪŋ/

karate	/kə'reɪtiː/
rugby	/'rʌɡbi/
skiing	/'skiːɪŋ/
snowboarding	/'snəʊbɔːdɪŋ/
swimming	/'swɪmɪŋ/
tennis	/'tenɪs/

English you need

• Talk about your country

Where are you from?

I'm from Argentina.

What's the population of Argentina?

It's about 40 million.

I'm from Santa Rosa. It's in the centre of Argentina.

It's 591 kilometres from Buenos Aires, the capital city.

Where are you from in Argentina?

Other words

• Directions

east	/iːst/
north	/nɔːθ/
south	/saʊθ/
west	/west/

• Nouns

actor	/'æktə/
actress	/'æktres/
adventure book	/əd'ventʃə bʊk/
capital city	/'kæpɪtl 'sɪti/
comedy	/'kɒmədi/
fail	/feɪl/
fan	/fæn/
film	/fɪlm/
indigenous people	/ɪn'dɪdʒənəs 'piːpl/
island	/'aɪlənd/