

You 'can' but 'may' not! (An exercise in making requests.)

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Here's What We Will Be Learning in this Presentation:

Summary

- Usage of "Can" and "May".
- Exercises.

Use of "Can"

"Can" refers to ability.

- I can finish my work by 5 pm.
- Can you finish your work tonight?



"Can" also refers to **permission-** both asking and giving:

- Can I use your pen?
- Yes, you can use my pen.



NOTE: Can is mostly used **informally (with friends, parents, etc.)**, when asking for permission.