

UNIT 6 GRAMMAR.

can /can't – SABER, PODER (for both general and specific ability) (Para expresar habilidades en general o en situaciones específicas)

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE	INTERROGATIVE
I can You can He/she/it can We/you/they can	I can't/ cannot You can't/cannot He/she/it can't / cannot We/you/they can't/cannot	Can I...? Can you...? Can he/she/it..? Can we/you/they...?

Examples:

- I can play the piano.
- She can speak English.
- He can't drive – he's too tired.
- We can't come now.
- Can you run a marathon?

Remember!

You need to add the **infinitive** after 'can'.

I can **swim**.

You can **run** fast.

She can **ride** a bike.

We can **speak** English.

They can **play** the guitar

Be careful!

For negatives you can add 'n't' or 'not'.

I **can't** drive a car.

I **cannot** drive.

Can they speak French? No, they **can't**.

Can they speak French? No, they **cannot**.

We say... We don't say...

Can you swim? Yes I can. (**NOT** You can swim? Yes, I swim.)

Can she ride a bike? Yes she can. (**NOT** She can ride a bike? Yes, she ride.)

(You use 'can' at the beginning of a normal question so you say: **Can + pronoun + infinitive?** If you want to show surprise you can say **Pronoun + can + infinitive?**)

Must/Mustn't TENER QUE (obligation, rules) (obligación, normas)

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE	INTERROGATIVE
I must You must He/she/it must We/you/they must	I mustn't/ must not You mustn't/ must not He/she/it mustn't / must not We/you/they mustn't/must not	Must I...? Must you...? Must he/she/it...? Must we/you/they...?

Examples

*I **must** do my homework.*
*You **mustn't** be late for class.*
*We **must** wear our school uniform.*

Remember!

We can use '**must**' to talk about rules. For the negative, we can say '**must not**' or '**mustn't**'.

*Parents **must** take care of their children.*
*You **mustn't** shout in the library.*
*She **must not** forget her books.*

Be careful!

The main verb is without 'to'.
*He **must be** careful when cutting food.*
*I **mustn't make** a mess.*

We say... We don't say...

You must look both ways when crossing the road. (NOT You must to look both ways when crossing the road.)

We mustn't run in school. (NOT We mustn't to run in school.)

Children must respect their parents. (NOT Children must respecting their parents.)