



## Modal Verb Worksheet - Ability

**Be unable to** - This expression is not a modal. It is the verb “to be” plus the adjective “able.”

Talking about Ability - **Can, Could, Be able to**

Talking about Ability (Negative) - **Cannot, Can't, Could not, Couldn't, Not able to, Be unable to**

Use the topics on the next page to practice talking about Ability.

You can either make statements or questions.

*Use can, could, be able to (Ability), and cannot, can't, could not, couldn't, not able to, be unable to (Ability - Negative)*



Talk about  
Ability  
**Can, Could,  
Be able to**

Talk about  
Ability -  
Negative Forms  
**Cannot, Can't,  
Could not,  
Couldn't,  
Not able to,  
Be unable to**

### Example - Dinner:

<b>Can</b>	I can eat dinner with you tonight.
<b>Could</b>	We could invite your sister as well.
<b>Able to</b>	Do you think we will be able to take a taxi?
<b>Cannot</b>	I cannot go with you to McDonald's.
<b>Can't</b>	I can't eat two burgers again.
<b>Could not</b>	I couldn't go to dinner last night, I worked.
<b>Not able to</b>	I am not able to walk there, it's too far.
<b>Unable to</b>	I am unable to pay for you, I have no money.

### Speaking Practice - Ability

Use the above modals and talk about the following topics:

Dinner	Watch TV
At the beach	A hospital visit
Take the bus	Garden work
Your pet	At a coffee shop
At the zoo	A train journey

