

Can - Abilities

Two people talk about their cooking skills.

Beginner English - Sound Grammar

A1 Lesson 19: Conversation 3



Part 1: Listen to the conversation and answer the questions.

1	What can she make?	2	What food can she cook?	3	What can he make?
a	Cake	a	Indian	a	Cake
b	Pasta	b	French	b	Omelet
c	Pastries	c	Spanish	c	Pancakes

Part 2: Complete the blanks with the words in the column to the right.

Man: So, _____ cook?	1	you / are / a / good
Woman: Not really. But I _____.	2	cook / stuff / basic / can
Man: Yeah? What _____?	3	can / cook / you
Woman: I _____ and some French cuisine. _____?	4	dishes / pasta / make / can
Man: I _____. I can only make an omelet.	5	you / what / about
Woman: That's not too bad. Can _____?	6	cook / anything / can't
Man: No, _____ that.	7	pancakes / make / you
	8	even / I / make / can't

Part 3: Match the questions with the answers.

1	Are you a good cook?	No, I'm terrible at cooking
2	What can you cook?	Only on special days like Thanksgiving
3	Can you make pancakes?	Only pasta and eggs
4	Do you sometimes cook for your family?	My mum is the best cook in the world!
5	Who is the best cook in your family?	Yes, chocolate pancakes

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Woman: Not really. But I can cook basic stuff .	2	cook / stuff / basic / can
Man: Yeah? What can you cook ?	3	can / cook / you
Woman: I can make pasta dishes and some French cuisine. What about you ?	4	dishes / pasta / make / can
Man: I can't cook anything . I can only make an omelet.	5	you / what / about
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