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Subject: **English** Answer key at the end	

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Exercise 1: True or false?

Level 1

Read each sentence, then say whether it is true or false.

1) “Can” takes -s with he, she and it.

☐ True ☐ False

2) “Lack of water” means there is not enough water.

☐ True ☐ False

3) To donate means to give something to help others.

☐ True ☐ False

4) “Be able to” can express ability.

☐ True ☐ False

Exercise 2: Complete with the right word

Level 1

Choose the word that completes each sentence (instead of the dots ...).

1) Sorry, I ... come to the meeting yesterday. I was ill.

☐ couldn’t ☐ can ☐ can’t

2) We collect money for ... families in the village.

☐ able ☐ needy ☐ cruel

3) Next year I will be ... to swim across the pool.

☐ can ☐ unable ☐ able

Exercise 3: Choose the right answer

Level 2

Choose the right answer.

1) Which sentence expresses inability?

☐ She can read fast. ☐ She is able to read. ☐ She can’t read without glasses.

2) Someone who works for free to help others is a...

☐ volunteer ☐ donor of money only ☐ customer

3) “To take part in” means...

☐ to leave ☐ to participate in ☐ to forget

Exercise 4: Classify

Level 2

Does the sentence express ability or inability?

1) They can’t come.

☐ Ability ☐ Inability

2) Kittens cannot survive alone.

☐ Ability ☐ Inability

3) I wasn’t able to finish.

☐ Ability ☐ Inability

4) We could run fast.

☐ Ability ☐ Inability

5) She is unable to walk.

☐ Ability ☐ Inability

Exercise 5: Situation 1

Level 3

At the blood bank

Nurse: “Hello! How old are you?” – Youssef: “I’m 16.” – Nurse: “Sorry, you must be 18 to donate blood.”

1) Can Youssef donate blood today?

☐ No, he can’t. ☐ Yes, he can. ☐ Yes, he is able to.

2) When will he be able to donate?

☐ Tomorrow. ☐ Never. ☐ When he is 18.

Exercise 6: Situation 2

Level 3

A cruel game

Some boys are throwing stones at a stray dog. Sami says: “Stop! That’s cruel. The dog can’t defend itself.”

1) Why does Sami say “That’s cruel”?

☐ Because the boys are hurting an animal. ☐ Because the boys are volunteers.

☐ Because the dog is dangerous.

2) “The dog can’t defend itself” expresses...

☐ the future ☐ ability ☐ inability

Answer key: Voluntary Work

Exercise 1: True or false?

1. “Can” takes -s with he, she and it. → false. Can is the same for all persons: he can.
2. “Lack of water” means there is not enough water. → true. Lack of = not enough.
3. To donate means to give something to help others. → true. People donate blood, money, clothes…
4. “Be able to” can express ability. → true. Be able to = can.

Exercise 2: Complete with the right word

1. Sorry, I **couldn’t** come to the meeting yesterday. I was ill.
2. We collect money for **needy** families in the village.
3. Next year I will be **able** to swim across the pool.

Exercise 3: Choose the right answer

1. Which sentence expresses inability? → **She can’t read without glasses.**. Can’t = inability.
2. Someone who works for free to help others is a… → **volunteer**. A volunteer gives time and work without pay.
3. “To take part in” means… → **to participate in**. Take part in = participate.

Exercise 4: Classify

1. They can’t come. → Inability
2. Kittens cannot survive alone. → Inability
3. I wasn’t able to finish. → Inability
4. We could run fast. → Ability
5. She is unable to walk. → Inability

Exercise 5: Situation 1

1. Can Youssef donate blood today? → **No, he can’t.**. He is too young.
2. When will he be able to donate? → **When he is 18.**. The nurse says you must be 18.

Exercise 6: Situation 2

1. Why does Sami say “That’s cruel”? → **Because the boys are hurting an animal.**. Hurting an animal is cruel.
2. “The dog can’t defend itself” expresses… → **inability**. Can’t = inability.