

Grammar Unit 3:

Modal verb CAN = Poder

Uses:

1. **To express ability:** I can run very fast.
2. **Permission:** Can I open the window, please?
3. **Request:** Can you bring me a clean fork, please?
4. **To express possibility:** I can come to pick you up.

PRESENT

(+) Subject + **CAN** + verb in INFINITIVE + complements

(-) Subject + **CAN + NOT** + verb in INFINITIVE + complements

CAN NOT

CAN'T

(?) [Wh- QUESTIONS] + **CAN** + Subject + verb in INFINITIVE + complements?

*** PAST FORM OF CAN = COULD**

Love, hate, (don't or doesn't) like, don't/doesn't mind + gerund (-ing form)

We use -ing form after the verbs love, like, don't / doesn't mind or hate.

I **love eating** pizza.

He **likes playing** football.

We **don't like waiting**.

She **doesn't like eating** fish.

He **doesn't mind eating** potatoes.

I **hate doing** the washing-up.

Be careful using the Present Simple: check the structures and spelling rules (Revise Unit 2).

Subject pronouns vs Object pronouns

Subject pronouns

Pronoms personnels de sujet

I	Jo
You	Tu
He	Ell
She	Ella
It	Això
We	Nosaltres
You	Vosaltres / vostès
They	Ells o ells

Object pronouns

Pronoms d'objecte

me
you
him
her
it
us
you
them

Love, hate, (don't or doesn't) like, don't/doesn't mind + object pronoun

Verbs love, like, don't / doesn't like, mind or hate + object pronoun.

I **love eating** pizza = I **love eating it.**

He **likes playing** football = He **likes playing it.**

I **love** my boyfriend = I **love him.**

She **doesn't like eating** fish = She **doesn't like eating it.**

He **doesn't mind eating** Sushi = He **doesn't mind eating it.**

I **love** my parents = I **love them.**

I **hate doing** the washing-up = I **hate doing it.**