

A1 LEVEL EXAM | #27

Talking About Abilities

What can you do? What can't you do? 30 Questions 30 Minutes A1 Level

Instructions: Choose the best answer (A, B, C, or D).

Name: _____ Date: _____ Score: _____ / 30

1. I ___ swim. I learned last summer!

- A) can
- B) can't
- C) do
- D) am

2. She ___ ride a bicycle. She is only two.

- A) can
- B) does
- C) can't
- D) is

3. ___ you speak English?

- A) Do
- B) Can
- C) Are
- D) Is

4. My brother can ___ very fast.

- A) runs
- B) running
- C) ran
- D) run

5. I can't ___ a horse. Never tried!

- A) ride
 - B) rides
 - C) riding
 - D) to ride
-

6. 'Can you play the piano?' 'Yes, I ___.'

- A) do
 - B) am
 - C) play
 - D) can
-

7. My dog ___ do tricks. He is clever!

- A) can't
 - B) don't
 - C) can
 - D) isn't
-

8. She can sing ___ . Beautiful voice!

- A) bad
 - B) well
 - C) badly
 - D) good
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9. Babies ___ walk. Too small.

- A) can
 - B) do
 - C) are
 - D) can't
-

10. I ___ cook pasta. Very easy!

- A) can
 - B) can't
 - C) am
 - D) do
-

11. 'Can your mum drive?' 'No, she ____.'

- A) doesn't
 - B) can't
 - C) isn't
 - D) don't
-

12. He can play football ____ he can't play basketball.

- A) and
 - B) so
 - C) but
 - D) because
-

13. ____ she play the guitar?

- A) Does
 - B) Can
 - C) Is
 - D) Has
-

14. My grandma can ____ delicious cakes.

- A) make
 - B) makes
 - C) making
 - D) to make
-

15. I can't ____ without my glasses.

- A) seeing
 - B) sees
 - C) see
 - D) to see
-

16. Tom ____ speak three languages.

- A) can't
 - B) doesn't
 - C) isn't
 - D) can
-

17. We can't go outside. It ___ raining.

- A) can
 - B) can't
 - C) are
 - D) is
-

18. ___ they swim in the sea?

- A) Are
 - B) Can
 - C) Do
 - D) Is
-

19. My sister can read ___ she is only five!

- A) but
 - B) so
 - C) and
 - D) because
-

20. He can't come ___ he is sick.

- A) but
 - B) and
 - C) so
 - D) because
-

21. 'What ___ you do?' 'Tennis and swimming.'

- A) can
 - B) do
 - C) are
 - D) have
-

22. She can dance well, ___ she?

- A) can
 - B) does
 - C) can't
 - D) isn't
-

23. Nobody in class ___ speak Chinese.

- A) doesn't
 - B) can
 - C) isn't
 - D) can't
-

24. 'Could' means ___ in the past.

- A) can
 - B) must
 - C) will
 - D) should
-

25. Dad can fix ____. Good with hands!

- A) nothing
 - B) something
 - C) anything
 - D) nobody
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26. Can you ___ me with homework?

- A) to help
 - B) help
 - C) helping
 - D) helps
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27. She ___ play violin when she was seven.

- A) can
 - B) could
 - C) can't
 - D) does
-

28. I can't ___ up early on Sundays.

- A) get
 - B) gets
 - C) getting
 - D) to get
-

29. He can't ___ boil an egg!

- A) too
 - B) also
 - C) very
 - D) even
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30. How many languages ___ your teacher speak?

- A) does
 - B) is
 - C) do
 - D) can
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Answer Key

1. A	2. C	3. B	4. D	5. A	6. D	7. C	8. B	9. D	10. A
11. B	12. C	13. B	14. A	15. C	16. D	17. D	18. B	19. C	20. D
21. A	22. C	23. B	24. A	25. C	26. B	27. B	28. A	29. D	30. D

Detailed Explanations

1. I ___ swim. I learned last summer! -> **A) can**

Can = ability

2. She ___ ride a bicycle. She is only two. -> **C) can't**

Can't = not able

3. ___ you speak English? -> **B) Can**

Can you? = ability question

4. My brother can ___ very fast. -> **D) run**

Base form after can

5. I can't ___ a horse. Never tried! -> **A) ride**

Base form after can't

6. 'Can you play the piano?' 'Yes, I ___ .' -> **D) can**

Short answer: Yes I can

7. My dog ___ do tricks. He is clever! -> **C) can**

Can = ability

8. She can sing ___. Beautiful voice! -> **B) well**

Adverb: sing well

9. Babies ___ walk. Too small. -> **D) can't**

Can't = not able

10. I ___ cook pasta. Very easy! -> **A) can**

Can = ability

11. 'Can your mum drive?' 'No, she ___ .' -> **B) can't**

No she can't

12. He can play football ___ he can't play basketball. -> **C) but**

But = contrast

13. ___ she play the guitar? -> **B) Can**

Can she?

14. My grandma can ___ delicious cakes. -> **A) make**

Base form: can make

15. I can't ___ without my glasses. -> **C) see**

Base form: can't see

16. Tom ___ speak three languages. -> **D) can**

Can = ability

17. We can't go outside. It ___ raining. -> **D) is**

It is raining

18. ___ they swim in the sea? -> **B) Can**

Can they?

19. My sister can read ___ she is only five! -> **C) and**

And adds info

20. He can't come ___ he is sick. -> **D) because**

Because = reason

21. 'What ___ you do?' 'Tennis and swimming.' -> **A) can**

What can you do?

22. She can dance well, ___ she? -> **C) can't**

Tag: can't she?

23. Nobody in class ___ speak Chinese. -> **B) can**

Nobody can

24. 'Could' means ___ in the past. -> **A) can**

Could = past can

25. Dad can fix ____. Good with hands! -> **C) anything**

Anything = all things

26. Can you ___ me with homework? -> **B) help**

Base form: help

27. She ___ play violin when she was seven. -> **B) could**

Could = past

28. I can't ___ up early on Sundays. -> **A) get**

Base form: get up

29. He can't ____ boil an egg! -> **D) even**

Even = emphasis

30. How many languages ____ your teacher speak? -> **D) can**

Can for ability
