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# **VOCABULARY**

# **Abilities**



**Exercise 1.** Translate to Spanish the vocabulary above. Traduce al español el vocabulario de arriba.

1.	cantar	7. coser	
2.	baile	8.tejer	
3.	nadar	9.dibujar	
4.	tocar la guitarra/el violin	10.	pintar
<b>5</b> .	esqui	11.conducir	
6.	coconero	12.arreglar cosas	

# Grammar - Adverbs "well" and "badly"

Use "badly" if your sentence is active. You should determine if your sentence involves how an action is/was performed. This means it is active and requires an adverb, such as "badly."

For instance, in the sentence "I feel badly since my fingers were burned," the word "feel" is used actively as an action. Instead of describing an emotional state, the sentence now describes a person's ability to touch. Therefore, the adverb "badly" is used.

**Badly** es un adverbio, lo que significa que describe los verbos o las acciones además de otros adjetivos y adverbios. Por ejemplo, cuando alguien "habla mal", cuando alguien "cocina mal", cuando alguien "conduce mal" etc, usamos badly. Es decir, Badly cataloga lo mal que se realiza algo.

Ejs: Su novia canta bastante mal. His girlfriend sings pretty badly.

Él juega muy mal al fútbol. He plays football very badly\*.

Él está mal vestido He's badly dressed.

Use "well" if your sentence is active. Once you understand that the meaning of your sentence is active in nature, use the adverb "well" to further your explanation of how an action is/was performed.

For instance, in the sentence "I feel well now that my fingers have healed," the word "feel" is used actively as an action. Instead of describing an emotional state, the sentence now describes a person's ability to touch (or to "do" something well—which is an action). Therefore, the adverb "well" is used.

Un adverbio nos dice de que manera se hace la acción. Cuando **WELL** se usa como adverbio significa que la acción se hace bien, de manera adecuada, con claridad, etc.

I could not hear the teacher well. - No pude escuchar el profesor con claridad.

Things are going well. - Las cosas van bien.

He did his job well. - El hizo su trabajo bien/adecuadamente.

**Exercise 2.** Escribe 3 oraciones usando well y 3 oraciones usando badly usa el vocabulario de arriba

#### Well

- 1. She does the exercise well/ Ella hace el ejercicio bien
- 2. Isaac works adequately well/ Isaac trabaja adecuadamente bien
- 3. I can't see the landscape well/ No puedo ver bien el paisaje

#### **Badly**

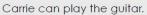
1. the teacher gives classes very badly/ El professor da las clases mal

- 2. The football team is pretty bad/ El equipo de futbol esta bastante mal
- 3. They are very bad/ellos estan muy mal

# Grammar - "Can" and "can't" for ability

We use "can" or "can't" + the base form of a verb to talk about ability.







Josie can't cook.

Questions
Can you play the guitar
Can he speak English

Short Answers
Yes, I can. / No, I can't.
Yes, he can. / No, he can't.

Use "can" or "can't" with "well" to indicate degree of ability Example: she can play the guitar, but she can't play it very well.

can't= can not= cannot

**Exercise 3.** Complete each conversation with "can" or "can't" and the base form of a verb.

1. A: CAN you PLAY the guitar?

B: Yes, I CAN But I don't play well.

2. A: CAN wen SHE well?

B: Yes, she CAN. She swims very well.

3. A: CAN your brother COOK?

B: My brother? No. He **CANOT** cook at all.

4. A: CAN Gloria NEEDS English well.

B: No, she **CANOT**. She needs this class.

5. A: CAN your mother KNITS?

B: Yes. She knits very well.

6. A: CAN your sisters SKING?

B: Yes. They go skiing every weekend.

Exercise 4. Answer the questions with true information. Use short answers with "can" or "can't".

- 1. Can you play the piano? \_CAN'T PLAY THE PIANO
- 2. Can you ski? CAN'T SKI
- 3. Can your parents sing well? CAN'T SING WELL
- 4. Can your friend speak English? YES CAN SPEAK ENGLISG

- 5. Can you draw? **CANOT DRAW**\_
- 6. Can your father fix things? YES, CAN FIX THINGS

# Grammar - Too + adjective

"Too" makes an adjective stronger. It usually gives it a negative meaning.

Example: I'm too busy. I can't talk right now.

Example: I'm too tired. Let's not go to the movies.

Example: It's too late. I should go to bed.

#### Exercise 5.



1. I don't want these shoes. They're TOO SMALL



2. It's TOO COLD today. She can't go swimming.



3. I'M TOO TIRED I can't read right now.



4. He doesn't want that shirt. It's TOO SHORT



5. I can't talk right now. I'm TOO OCCUPIED



6. It's **TOO LATE** for a movie. We should go to bed.

Exercise 6. Complete each sentence. Use "too" and an adjective.

- 1. I need a new dress. This dress is too old.
- 2.This skirt is **TOO LONG** want a short skirt.
- 3. His shirt is **TOO BIG**. He needs size small.
- 4. I don't want that suit. It's TOO SMALL
- 5. He needs size medium. This shirt is **TOO PERFECT**