

ENGLISH

Chapter 5 Session A



Making Requests
Asking for permission







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Getting along

Get talking!

Talk about the pictures with a partner.

Where is the man? What is he doing?

Do you prefer to live alone or with other people? Tell your partner.











15 Listen and read.

Robert: Hey, Todd? Could you do me a favor? Would you mind hanging up some of your clothes? This room's a mess.

Todd: What? Sorry, I didn't hear you. I'm listening to some music.

Robert: I want to study. Can you turn it off and listen to me for a minute, please?

Todd: Oh, OK. Anything for a quiet life.

Robert: And could you move these books? This is my desk.

Todd: Yeah, yeah. Is it OK if I put them on your bed?

Robert: No, it isn't. Put them on your own bed. I want to sit here.

Todd: Wait a minute ... What's that?

Robert: It's a guitar.

Todd: Oh yeah? Can you play?

Robert: No, but I think it's cool and I want to learn.

Do you mind if I practice now?

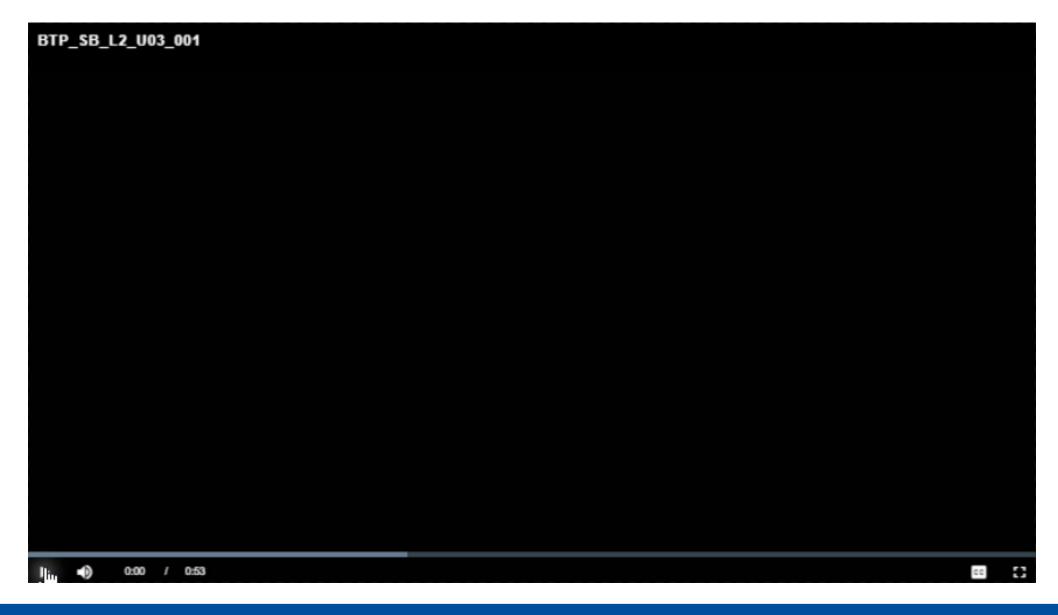
Todd: What? You're not practicing that in here.

Robert: Oh, come on! Just for an hour.

Todd: No way!











Could you do me a favor? Yes, sure.



Would you mind closing the window? No, of course not.

Could you move these books? OK.

Can you open the door? Sure.

Do you mind if I watch TV? Not at all. Go ahead.

Is it OK if I use your dictionary? Sure. Help yourself.

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Grammar reference

Making requests

	Agreeing	Refusing
Would you mind opening the window?	Of course not.	I'm sorry, but I'm cold.
Could you take off your shoes?	Yes, of course.	I'd rather not.
Can you clean up your room?	Sure. No problem.	I'm afraid I'm busy.



Asking for permission

	Giving permission	Refusing permission
Do you mind if I play my guitar?	No, not at all. Go ahead.	I'd rather you didn't.
Is it OK if I turn off the radio?	Sure. No problem.	Sorry, but I'm listening to it.



To agree to a request with **mind**, use the negative:

Would you **mind** opening the door?

Not at all.

Do you **mind** if I close the window?

Of course **not**.

Notice the different positions for **please**:

Please can you help me?

Can you help me, **please**?

Can you **please** help me? (stronger)





Put these words in the correct order to make questions.

- 1 window / you / could / the / close / please
- 2 the / mind / on / television / you / would / turning
- 3 this / if / OK / I / vase / it / is / move
- 4 you / can / up / this / please / clean / mess
- 5 if / you / I / piano / mind / practice / do / the



Match each question in exercise 1 with an answer.

a _	Sorry, but I need some fresh air.
b _	Actually, I'd rather you didn't.
	I have a headache.

- c ____ OK. What do you want to watch?
- d ____ Yes, that's fine. But be careful with it.
- e ____ Sure. No problem. Do you have a cloth or anything?





Make questions using the words in parentheses.

You want to take off your shoes. (do / mind)

Do you mind if I take off my shoes?

- 1 You want to move the table. (do / mind)
- 2 You want to leave class early. (it / OK)
- 3 You want someone to open a window.

(would / mind)

- 4 You want to use my cell phone. (do / mind)
- 5 You want someone to close the door. (can)
- 6 You want someone to clean up the classroom.

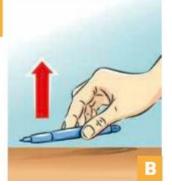
(could)

Vocabulary

Match each phrasal verb with a picture.

- 1 <u>E</u> turn off
- 2 ___ put on
- 3 ___ take out
- 4 ____ put down
- 5 ___ turn up
- 6 ___ pick up
- 7 ___ bring in
- 8 ___ turn down
- 9 ___ take off
- 10 ____ turn on

























Match the phrases.

1 put away a your address

2 hang up b the fire

3 write down c the groceries

4 put out d your coat

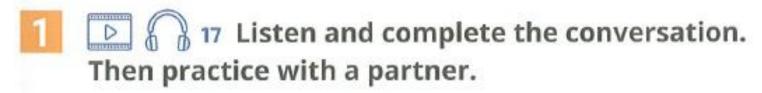
With a partner, take turns making requests and asking for permission.

A: Is it OK if I turn up the air conditioning?

B: Sure. Go ahead.



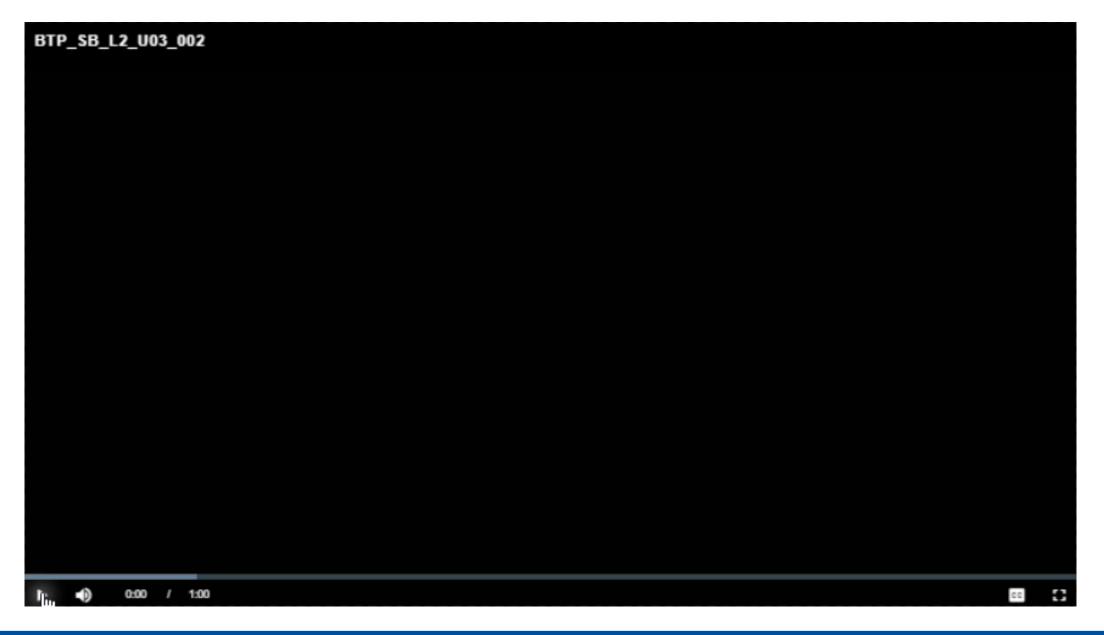
Real life exchange



- A: Could you 1 ______ before you go out?
- B: Sure. No problem.
- A: And would you mind 2 _____ when you get home?
- B: No, not at all. It's no trouble. Is it OK if I 3 _____ as well?
- A: That's very kind of you. Thank you.
 - You know, you're a great roommate!
- B: Thanks. Oh, do you mind if I 4 _____ tonight?
- A: Actually, I'd rather you didn't. I want to 5 ______.
- B: Huh?









Use these words to make more conversations.

Conversation 1	Conversation 2	Conversation 3
1 turn off the lights	1 turn off the TV	1 turn down the air conditioning
2 taking out the garbage	2 cooking dinner	2 bringing in the wash
3 clean up the bathroom	3 put away the groceries	3 hang up all the shirts
4 practice the piano	4 invite some friends over	4 use your computer
5 watch a movie on TV	5 study for an exam	5 check my e-mail