

Can I  
park here?

No, you can't.  
You can park in  
the parking lot.

# 7B You can't park here

## 1 GRAMMAR can / can't

a **3 15** Cover the dialogues and look at the pictures. What do you think the people are saying? Listen and check.

- 1 **Policeman** Excuse me.  
You can't park there.
- Woman** No? Why not?
- Policeman** The sign says,  
"No Parking."
- Woman** Oh, I'm sorry, officer.  
Where can I park  
near here?
- Policeman** You can park  
over there, ma'am,  
in the parking lot.
- Woman** Thank you, officer.



- 2 **Ellie** Hi, Matt.
- Matt** Hi. Who's this?
- Ellie** It's me, Ellie.  
How are you?
- Matt** Oh, fine, thanks.
- Ellie** Matt, can you come  
to dinner on Friday?
- Matt** On Friday?  
Oh, I'm really sorry.  
I can't come. It's my  
girlfriend's birthday.
- Ellie** Your girlfriend?
- Matt** Yes. Lucy, from work.
- Ellie** Oh. Lucy.
- Matt** Sorry about dinner.
- Ellie** That's OK. Bye.



b Listen again and read the dialogues.  
Answer the questions.

- Why does the policeman speak to the woman?
- Where does the woman park at the end of the conversation?
- Is the policeman angry 😡 with her?
- What's Ellie's plan for Friday?
- Does Matt say yes or no to Ellie? Why?
- Is Ellie happy 😊 or sad 😞 at the end of the conversation?

c Look at dialogues 1 and 2. Complete the sentences.



+	You <u>can</u> park over there, ma'am, in the parking lot.
-	Excuse me. You _____ park there. I'm really sorry. I _____ come.
?	_____ you come to dinner on Friday? Where _____ I park near here?

d **p.104 Grammar Bank 7B.** Learn more about *can / can't* and practice it.

## 2 PRONUNCIATION

/æ/ and /ə/; sentence rhythm

a **3 17** Listen and copy the sounds and sentences. Copy the rhythm.

 cat	Can I park here? Yes, you <b>can</b> . No, you <b>can't</b> . You <b>can't</b> park here.
 computer	Where <b>can</b> I park? You <b>can</b> park here.

b **3 18** Listen. Can you hear the difference?

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|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 a We can park here. | 3 a You can sit here.    |
| b We can't park here. | b You can't sit here.    |
| 2 a I can help you.   | 4 a Mark can go with me. |
| b I can't help you.   | b Mark can't go with me. |

c **3 19** Listen. \_\_\_\_\_ a or b.

d Practice the dialogues in exercise 1a with a partner.

e Ask and answer questions with a partner. Give affirmative (✓) or negative (✗) short answers.

- I / park here ✗
- you / come to dinner ✓
- we / swim here ✓
- I / watch TV on the bus ✗
- I / have a coffee ✓
- we / have lunch tomorrow ✗

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