

## For the Teacher:

### When Parents Name Babies Listening Task

<b>Functional Language</b> <i>Students will need</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>In many places in the world...</i></li><li>• <i>For example...</i></li></ul>
<b>Vocabulary</b> <i>Students will need</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• vocabulary: <i>name, give, choose, parents, babies, law, follow, embarrass, harm, list, number, alphabet, letter, offensive</i></li></ul>
<b>Grammar</b> <i>Students will need</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• passive voice “when the action is done to the subject” The food was eaten. (The food didn’t eat... the action was done to the food.) Passive voice = Be + <b>past participle</b> (<b>was chosen</b>, <b>be protected</b>, <b>were told</b>)</li></ul>
<b>Pronunciation</b> <i>Students will need</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Can vs. cannot: Can + <b>verb</b> = <b>Verb is stressed</b> (can <b>NAME</b>)</li></ul>

	<p>Can't + verb =</p> <p>Cannot + verb =</p> <p>Can't is stressed</p> <p>(CAN'T name, CANNOT name)</p> <p>break years into <b>two parts</b></p>
<p><b>Assessment</b></p> <p><i>Teachers can check for success by</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ask students, "What are naming laws?" and "What are the laws in Sweden?" and "What are the laws in Germany?" and "What are the laws in Denmark?" and "What are the laws in China?" and "What are the laws in Iceland?" and "What are the laws in New Zealand?" and "What are some names that parents couldn't choose?"</li> <li>have students discuss in groups if their country should have naming laws or not using information from the audio.</li> </ul>

## Parents and Children | When Parents Name Babies

***What are naming laws?***

What is your name? Who gave you your name? Probably, your name was chosen by your parents. In many places in the world, parents cannot name their babies whatever they would like. Parents must follow naming laws. Naming laws tell parents what they can name their children—and what they can't name their children. In Sweden, if a name will embarrass a child, parents cannot choose it. For example, parents cannot choose "Superman" as a name. In Germany, parents cannot choose a name that could cause harm to a child. When the name "Devil" was chosen by parents, they could not use the name. In

Denmark, parents must choose from a list of 7,000 baby names. They cannot choose a name they create like “Monkey,” for example. In China, parents cannot choose a name that includes a number. So, they can’t name their child “Li15” or “Wang27.” In Iceland, parents must choose names that use the alphabet of Iceland. Since the alphabet does not have the letter “c,” parents cannot choose a name like “Carmen” or “Catalina.” And, in New Zealand, parents cannot choose a name that is offensive. For example, when parents wanted to name their son “Adolf Hitler,” they were told ‘no.’ Some people believe that parents

should be able to name their children freely, but these countries like Germany and New Zealand believe that children should be protected from bad names.

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