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**Read the conversation:**

**Dad:** We're going to the beach. Are you kids ready?

**Child:** Is it on the ocean?

**Dad:** Yes.

**Child:** Can we fly a kite there?

**Dad:** Yes, and you can swim.

**Child:** Should I bring my diving mask and fins?

**Dad:** If you want.

**Child:** I want to bring my pail and shovel too. I want to build a sand castle.

**Dad:** That's fine. But you must wear sunscreen.

Work with a partner:

1-Write a conversation between a mother and child. Use these vocabulary words: **cooler/blanket/shade/beach umbrella/ wave/ pier/lifeguard.**

2-Practice reading your conversation.

3-Read your conversation to the group.

**Point to the following:**

- a) a woman waving
- b) a person flying a kite
- c) a woman reading a book
- d) a pair of scuba divers
- e) a sailboat
- f) a boy in mask and fins
- g) a girl listening to a shell
- h) a lifeguard standing on a lifeguard stand
- i) a surfer
- j) a family under an umbrella
- k) a pail and shovel
- l) a cooler
- m) a blanket

**Talk to a partner:**

*Discuss these questions with your partner. Then report to the class something you learned about your partner.*

1. When was the last time you went to the beach?
2. Where was the beach?
3. Are there nude beaches in your country?
4. What kinds of things do you like to do at the beach?
5. Have you ever seen a shark swimming at the beach?
6. Do you like to collect seashells?
7. Have you ever been surfing?
8. When did you learn to swim?
9. Are you afraid to swim in the ocean?
10. What do you wear to the beach?
11. Do you always wear sunscreen?
12. Is pollution a problem at beaches in your country?
13. Do you prefer a calm sea or big waves?
14. Should dogs be allowed on a beach?
15. Would you swim at a beach with no lifeguard?

### **Using Can and Could**

\*Can and could are called “modal verbs”. They are used with other verbs to tell something is possible or permitted.

\*We use can to:

talk about possibility and ability: I can ride a horse. She can speak three languages.  
make requests or give orders: Can you buy me a beer? Can you carry this upstairs?  
ask permission: Can I come inside now? Can Stella stay overnight?

Note: You may also use could or may for permission.

\*We can use can for the present or the future. EX: We can go swimming tomorrow.

Do not use can with the infinitive form of the verb. EX: We can play baseball today. NOT: We can to play baseball today.

\*Could is also a modal verb.

We use could to

as the past tense of can: Jane said she could get our tickets for us.  
show what is possible in the past: Bob could ride a bike when he was three years old.  
ask someone to do something: Could you bring me some cigarettes?  
ask if someone is able of allowed to do something: Could I ask you a question?

\*We use could for actions now or in the future: We could go for a walk, or we could just sit and drink coffee. When we go to London, we could stay with my grandmother.

\*We also use could when we exaggerate: I am so tired I could sleep the whole day. I am so hungry I could eat a cow.

\*The negative form of can and could is can't and couldn't. EX: Did you see Ben when you were in London. No, I couldn't ever find a time to meet him. I'd like you to come by tonight. I can't because I have to work tonight.