

HOW TO SAY CAN IN MANDARIN

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Traditional Chinese	Simplified Chinese	Pinyin	English
會	会	Huì	Know how to..
我會說中文	我会说中文	wǒ huì shuō zhōngwén	I know how to speak Mandarin
你會說日文嗎?	你会说日文吗?	nǐ huì shuō rìwén ma?	Do you know how to speak Japanese?
我媽媽很會做飯。	我妈妈很会做饭。	Wǒ māmā hěn huì zuò fàn.	My mom is good at cooking
很會 + do something	很会 + do something	Hěn huì + do something	Really know how to..; good at...
我朋友明天會來看我	我朋友明天会来看我	wǒ péngyǒu míngtiān huì lái kàn wǒ	My friend will come to visit me tomorrow
明天會下雨嗎?	明天会下雨吗?	míngtiān huì xià yǔ ma?	Will it rain tomorrow?
明天會下雨	明天会下雨	Míngtiān huì xià yǔ	It will rain tomorrow.
明天不會下雨	明天不会下雨	míngtiān bú huì xià yǔ	It won't rain tomorrow
如果我跟你出去喝酒，我太太會生氣	如果我跟你出去喝酒，我太太会生气	rúguǒ wǒ gēn nǐ chūqù hējiǔ, wǒ tàitai huì shēngqì	If I go out drinking with you, my wife will be angry.
能	能	néng	Able to (physically)
他能跑十公里	他能跑十公里	tā néng pǎo shí gōnglǐ	He's able to run 10km
我今天喝酒，所以不能開車	我今天喝酒，所以不能开车	wǒ jīntiān hējiǔ, suǒyǐ bùnéng kāichē	I'm drinking alcohol, so I'm not able to drive today
他能一整天不睡覺	他能一整天不睡觉	tā néng yī zhěng tiān bú shuìjiào	He's able to not sleep a whole day

可以	可以	kěyǐ	
可以…嗎?	可以…吗?	kěyǐ...ma?	Is it okay?; may ...? (asking for a certain permission)
我可以說英文 嗎?	我可以說英文 吗?	Wǒ kěyǐ shuō yīngwén ma?	May I speak English?
你不可說英文	你不可說英文	Nǐ bùkě shuō yīngwén	You can't speak English. (not allow to)
你可以說英文	你可以說英文	nǐ kěyǐ shuō yīngwén	You can speak English. (allow to)
我太太說我今天 不可以去喝酒	我太太說我今天 不可以去喝酒	wǒ tàitai shuō wǒ jīntiān bù kěyǐ qù hējiǔ	My wife said that I can't drink today. (my wife not allow me)
你可以借我錢 嗎?	你可以借我錢 吗?	nǐ kěyǐ jiè wǒ qián ma?	Can you lend me money?
我不能借你錢, 因為我沒有錢	我不能借你錢, 因為我沒有錢	Wǒ bùnéng jiè nǐ qián, yīnwèi wǒ méiyǒu qián	I can't lend you money because I don't have money.

Answers for the Practice

你會說英語嗎?	你會說英語嗎?	nǐ huì shuō yīngyǔ ma?	Do you know how to speak English?
我太累了, 不能 開車	我太累了, 不能 開車	Wǒ tài lèile, bùnéng kāichē	I'm too tired, I'm not able to drive
老師, 我可以說 漢語嗎?	老師, 我可以說 漢語嗎?	lǎoshī, wǒ kěyǐ shuō hànyǔ ma?	Teacher, may I speak Mandarin?

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