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Can and May Commonly Confused Words Worksheet

The word (can) shows ability.

The word (may) is used to ask permission.

Directions: Circle the confusing word (can or may) that best completes each sentence.

Example A: (May / Can) I go to the restroom?

Answer: May

1. I (may / can) finish my work on time.
2. I don't know if I (may / can) get to the game before the start.
3. (May / Can) I get something to eat?
4. (May / Can) I sit in the front row of the theatre?
5. I think I (may / can) win the tennis championship.
6. Do you know if you (may / can) win the championship?
7. (May / Can) I ask you an important question?
8. (May / Can) you make sure to finish your homework tonight.

Directions: Write a sentence with the words can and may.

9. can- _____

10. may- _____

Answers:

1. can

2. Can

3. May

4. May

5. Can

6. Can

7. May

8. Can