

1 Requests with modals, if clauses, and gerunds

Read the situations. Then complete the requests.

1. You want to borrow a friend's underwater camera for a diving trip.
A: I was wondering if I could borrow your underwater camera.
B: Sure. That's fine. Just please be careful with it.
2. You want to use your roommate's computer.
A: Is it OK _____
B: You can use it, but please don't drink near it.
3. Your neighbor has a car. You need a ride to class.
A: Would you mind _____
B: I'd be glad to. What time should I pick you up?
4. You want your brother to help you move on Saturday.
A: Can you _____
B: I'm sorry. I'm busy all weekend.
5. You would like a second piece of your aunt's cherry pie.
A: Would it be all right _____
B: Yes, of course! Just pass me your plate.
6. You want to borrow your cousin's red sweater.
A: Could you _____
B: Sorry. I don't like it when other people wear my clothes.

2 Indirect requests

Complete the indirect requests. Ask someone to deliver the messages to Susie.

1. Are you busy this weekend? → Could you ask Susie if she's busy this weekend?
2. Do you want to hang out with me? → Can _____
3. Text me. → Can _____
4. Do you know my address? → Can _____
5. Don't forget to write. → Could _____
6. What are you doing Saturday? → Can _____
7. Do you have plans on Sunday? → Could _____

1 Past continuous vs. simple past

Circle the best forms to complete the conversations.

1. **A:** How **did you break / were you breaking** your arm?
B: It's a crazy story! Ramon and I **rode / were riding** our bikes in the park when a cat **ran / was running** out in front of me. I **went / was going** pretty fast, so when I **tried / was trying** to stop, I **went / was going** off the road and **fell / was falling**.
A: That's terrible! **Did you go / Were you going to** the hospital after it **happened / was happening**?
B: Yes. Luckily, we **weren't / weren't being** too far from City Hospital, so we **went / were going** there.
2. **A:** You'll never guess what **happened / was happening** to me this morning!
B: What?
A: Well, I **brushed / was brushing** my teeth when suddenly the water **went / was going** off. I **had / was having** toothpaste all over my mouth, and I couldn't wash it off.
B: So what **did you do / were you doing**?
A: Fortunately, I **had / was having** a big bottle of water in the refrigerator, so I **used / was using** that water to rinse my mouth.

2 Past perfect

Combine the two ideas into one with a past event and a past perfect event.
Use *when* or *because*.

1. The museum closed. A thief stole a famous painting earlier.
The museum closed because a thief had stolen a famous painting earlier.
2. We finished cleaning the house. Then our guests arrived.

3. Someone robbed my house yesterday. I left the window open.

4. There was no food in the house. We forgot to stop at the supermarket.

5. I called her three times. She finally answered.

6. I knew about the problem. Your brother told me about it.
