

# 7 Boring Housework

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Question Word: How    Adverb: too



How can Max help with the housework?



It can dust the shelves with its tail. It can sweep the floor **too**.



We use the question word 'How' to ask questions about the way we do something.

How do you help at home?  
can Dad



To answer the 'How' questions, we seldom repeat the words like 'help at home' in the questions. Instead, we say what we do right away.  
e.g. How does Ellie help at home?  
She sweeps and mops the floor.

We put the adverb 'too' at the end of sentences to add ideas and talk about the same kind of action or feeling.

I wash the dishes.  
Dad can hang the clothes.

I clean the windows  
He can fold the clothes **too**.



We only use 'too' in positive sentences.

## Warm-up

**A** Mrs Fan is asking Jasper some questions about the housework. Rearrange the words to form correct sentences.

1. home / at / How / help / do / you / ?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. I / clothes too / fold / the / . / I / shelves / the / dust / .

\_\_\_\_\_

3. can / Ellie / How / at / help / home / ?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. can / wash / . / dishes too / She / can / table / the / . / set / the / She

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## Grammar Notes

### Question Word: Who

We use the question word **'Who'** to ask questions about the identity of one or more than one person.

**Who**

can walk the dog?  
does the housework at home?

Jasper can walk the dog.

Mum does the housework at home.



### Grammar Tip

To answer a 'Who' question, we usually replace the question word 'Who' with the noun(s) or pronoun(s) referring to the person(s).



### Common Errors

- ✓ **Who** can sweep the floor? Ellie can sweep the floor.
- ✗ **How** can sweep the floor? Ellie can sweep the floor.

1. How / Who can wipe the table? Jasper can wipe the table.
2. How / Who can he wipe the table? He can wipe it with a wet cloth.

## Warm-up



Mrs Fan is asking her family members to do the housework. Draw lines to match the answers to the correct question words.

1.

sweep the floor

2.

fold the clothes

3.

Ellie

4.

dust the shelves

5.

Jasper

6.

Bob and Max



## Practice

**G** Mrs Fan is busy because she has to take care of Grandma over the weekend. Mr Fan is talking to the kids about the housework to do at home. Look at the table and complete their conversation with the help of the given words.

Saturday			Sunday		
dust the bookshelves (E)	tidy up the toys (E) (J)	boil the water (J)	mop the floor (M)	feed the dog (M)	wash the dishes (J) (E) (F)
(J) = Jasper		(E) = Ellie	(M) = Max	(F) = Mr Fan	

- : Kids, ① \_\_\_\_\_ can you help at home this Saturday?
- : I can ② \_\_\_\_\_. I can tidy up the toys ③ \_\_\_\_\_.
- : That's great! ④ \_\_\_\_\_ can boil the water on Saturday?
- : I can boil the water. I can help Ellie ⑤ \_\_\_\_\_.
- : Good! How about Sunday? ⑥ \_\_\_\_\_ on Sunday?
- : Ellie and I can wash the dishes. I think ⑦ \_\_\_\_\_ can mop the floor with four wet towels! It can feed itself ⑧ \_\_\_\_\_! It knows where to look for food. Dad, ⑨ \_\_\_\_\_ can you help us?
- : I can ⑩ \_\_\_\_\_. Let's do the housework together before Mum comes back.

Hint: Q5 & 10

Don't miss out the adverb 'too'.

## Proofreading

**D** There is one mistake in each question. Correct the underlined mistakes for Questions 1-2. Underline and correct the mistakes for Questions 3-6.

- How does all the chores in your home? 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- Mum can cook. Dad can cook and. 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- How do Matt help at home? He dusts the shelves at home. 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- What do you help? I fold the clothes and set the table. 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- Who make the bed? Ellie makes the bed. 5. \_\_\_\_\_
- How can walk Max on Sunday? Ellie can walk it. 6. \_\_\_\_\_

# Grammar in Context



Text Type:


Conversation

**E** Mr Fan, Jasper and Ellie are talking about Mother's Day. Follow the example and complete their conversation with the help of the given words.

How


Who


too

: It's Mother's Day today. **e.g.** \_\_\_\_\_ How can we make Mum happy \_\_\_\_\_? (can / we / make Mum happy)

: Let's do something for her! **1** \_\_\_\_\_? (can / we / help at home)

: We can share the housework. We can cook dinner for her **2** \_\_\_\_\_.


: That's a great idea, but I'm not good at cooking. **3** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_? (can / cook dinner)



: Of course I can! I'm a chef. Kids, I need your help! **4** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_? (can / wash the vegetables)


: I can wash them. The living room is messy. Can you help, Jasper?

:  **5** \_\_\_\_\_? (can / I / help in the living room)

: You can tidy up the toys. You can hang up the clothes **6** \_\_\_\_\_.

: For the toys, you can put some in the toy box. You can put some on the shelves in your room **7** \_\_\_\_\_.

:  **8** \_\_\_\_\_? (can / I / hang up the washing)

: You can use the hangers over there.

: **9** \_\_\_\_\_? (can / set the table)

: I can set the table after I wash the vegetables. After dinner, Jasper and I can wash the dishes. We can serve the dessert **10** \_\_\_\_\_.

: That's an amazing plan. I'm so excited now!

: I feel excited  **11** \_\_\_\_\_!

 **Hint: Q8**

Look at Mr Fan's answer to find out what Jasper is asking.