

Making Request using Modals

Ex. Can I borrow your pen? (less formal)

Could you lend me your book? (more formal)

Practice

- 1) Borrow your friends camera
- 2) Tell your mother to cook your favorite food.

Making Request using If clause

Ex. Do you mind if I use your laptop?

Would it be OK if you lend me \$20?

Practice

- 1) Tell your boss to give you a raise
- 2) Ask your supervisor to move your day off

Less formal



More formal

Can I?

Could you.....?

Do you mind if.....?

Would you mind if....?

PRACTICE CONVERSATION

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"What Open Sesame bit?
I had my contractor install
an automatic garage door opener."

I. Complete the following lines.

1) **You want to borrow your classmate's digital camera.**

A: I was wondering if

B: Sure, that's fine. But please take care of it.

2) **Your neighbor has a car. You need to have a ride to school.**

A: Is it OK if?

B: No problem. I'd be glad to.

3) **You need someone to help you move to your new apartment.**

A:.....?

**B: Actually, I have to do something this weekend. I'm sorry I
can't help you.**