

Exercises: Lesson 16

The English word “can”, as in, “Can you take a picture of me?”, is a verb. So too, יכול is a verb in Hebrew.

If an Israeli woman were to express that she wishes to see a movie, she'd say, אני רוצה לראות סרט. Notice that the main verb of the sentence – רוצה – is conjugated, while what the woman wishes to do – לראות – remains infinitive.

The same is true with יכול: it is the main verb in a sentence.

Translate the following, looking up unfamiliar verbs in Chapter 19 of *English Hebrew by Subject*. Remember to use את when necessary.

1. He can drive!
2. She can't drive.
3. Okay, she can also drive.
4. I (יניב – Yaniv, a male) can save Luntz Street.
5. You (אסתר – Esther) can visit your mother today.
6. We can leave only at seven.

תשובות

1. הוא יכול לנהוג.
2. היא לא יכולה לנהוג.
3. טוב, היא גם יכולה לנהוג.
4. אני יכול להציל את החיה הזו.
5. את יכולה לבקר את אמא שלך היום.
6. אנחנו יכולים לעזור רק בשבוע.