



Permission Verbs Interactive Worksheet **Answers**

Fill in this worksheet at the same time as watching the video on permission verbs in English. Use the answer guide to check your answers.

EXERCISE A

What is a permission verb?

A verb that expresses authority to complete an action.

EXERCISE B

Fill in the table with the uses of each verb.

Verb	Use	Example
Be supposed to	<i>Strong suggestion</i>	<i>I am supposed to go to the shops later</i>
	<i>Expectation unlikely to happen</i>	<i>It is supposed to rain later today</i>
	<i>Indication from others</i>	<i>She is supposed to be the best doctor there is</i>
Be allowed to	<i>Permission from another person (informal)</i>	<i>I am allowed to go shopping tomorrow</i>
Be permitted to	<i>Permission from authority (formal)</i>	<i>I am permitted to build a new house</i>
Be able to	<i>Power from another person</i>	<i>I am able to get into the house because she gave me the key</i>
	<i>Ability</i>	<i>I am able to speak 4 languages</i>
Let	<i>Permission from another person (informal)</i>	<i>I will let him go the shops later</i>

EXERCISE C

What does the expression “What’s that supposed to mean?” mean?

This is used to express surprise, shock and disagreement at somebody’s comment.