

A. Use the polite phrases in the box to make requests for the situations (1 to 10) below.

I wonder if you could...	Is there any chance you could...?
I'd be grateful if you could...	Would you mind +ing...?
Could you possibly...?	Would it be possible...?
Do you think you could...?	Do you mind +ing...?

1. Ask a friend for a favour.

2. Ask a policeman to give you directions.

3. Ask someone to lend you something.

4. Ask a friend to get you something.

5. Ask someone to open the door for you.

6. Ask a friend to buy you something from the shop.

7. Ask a waiter to bring you the bill.

8. Ask someone to open the window for you.

9. Ask a friend to give you a lift somewhere.

10. Ask someone to tell you the time.

B. Now, fill in the missing letters in the phrases that accept and decline requests.

Accepting requests	Declining requests
1. Of c _ _ _ _ _ n _ _	6. Yes, I w _ _ _ _
2. Sure, n _ p _ _ _ _ _	7. I'm _ _ _ _ y, _ _ t...
3. Sure, I c _ _ d _ t _ _ _	8. I'm s _ _ _ _ . I _ _ n't
4. No, n _ _ a _ a _ _	9. Y _ _ , I'm a _ _ _ _ _ I _ _
5. C _ _ _ _ _ _ y	10. I'd _ _ _ _ to, b _ _ _ _

C. In pairs, take it in turns to make, accept and decline requests using the situations from Exercise A and phrases from Exercise B.