# **Present and Past Ability**

## 1. Present Ability

## a. What can you do? Can you...?

Speak French.

Swim.

Drive.

Paint.

Juggle.

Play chess.

Ride a horse.

Go cross eyed.

Cook well.

Sing well.

Knit.

Wiggle your ears.

Do handstands.

Do the splits.

# b. What can a superhero do?

Choose your favourite superhero and list all the qualities they have. For example, what about Spiderman? He can:



- ...stick to walls.
- ...climb walls and other surfaces, ...use self-designed web-shooters allowing him to fire and swing from sticky webs ...use his special "Spider-Sense" warnings of incoming danger
- ...use his genius intellect of chemistry and invention.

Now choose your own superhero and list as many qualities you can about what they can do.

My superhero is.....

He / she can.....

# 2. Past ability

## a. 100 Years Ago

Make a list of things people couldn't do 100 years ago that we can do now. For example:

People couldn't travel by plane.

People couldn't use the internet.

Try and think of as many examples as you can.

#### b. You!

Now think of things you can do now that you couldn't do as a child. Two examples have been given to get you started:

Now:	As a child:
I can drive a car.	I couldn't drive a car until I was 18.
I can speak Spanish.	I could speak French when I was 13, but I
	couldn't speak Spanish until I was 42