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Topic: Can you speak English?

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Hm, "Can you speak English?" and "Do you speak English?" do mean the same in the situation when one makes an inquiry if the other speaks English.

So "Can you speak English?" can be translated with "can" or with "do" as well.

There are situations when they are not interchangeable.

<http://www.usingenglish.com/forum/threads/125625-Do-you-speak-English-VS-Can-you-speak-English>

As for the saying, "The sun rises in the East, and sets in the West..."