Longer requests phrases card game

Instructions for teachers

1. Photocopy and cut up one pack of the cards for each group of two to four students. Keep one intact copy per student to act as an answer key.
2. Give out just the ending and beginning phrases (not the ones in **bold** in the middle) for the students to match up to make the basic sentences. This is probably easier if they spread them all across the table first. Some might match with more than one card, but there is only one way to match them all up.
3. Perhaps after asking them to brainstorm phrases which could go between the starting and ending cards to make longer requests, give them the middle cards to add to the correct places, to check and expand on their answers.
4. Get the students to check their answers as a class or with the intact copy of the worksheet.

Variation/ Extension

The students can also use these cards for a speaking activity. Each group deals out just the middle cards. To discard their cards, students must use phrases which include those words during roleplay practice of requests. The person with fewest cards when the teacher stops the game is the winner. They don't have to use exactly the same phrases as those on the intact worksheet, but each phrase used during the activity must be different to what other people have said before.

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Cards to cut up/ Suggested answers

Could you	**possibly**	lend me your dictionary?
I'd be	**very/ extremely**	grateful if you could help me with this.
Have you	**by any chance**	got a screwdriver that I could borrow?
Are you	**any**	good at working out how to use new software?
It would really help	**me**	if you could tell me his name.
I heard	**a rumour**	that you know all about Photoshop.
I need	**some/ a little**	help with next weekend's conference.
Thank you	**in advance**	for any help you can give me with this project.
If you can help	**I promise**	I'll do the same for you some day.
John said that you are	**probably**	the best person to ask about translating this document.

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Do you think you could	**find the time to/ possibly**	photocopy these for me?
If you're not	**too**	busy, can you proofread this for me?
Any help	**at all**	with this matter would be gratefully accepted.
Your assistance with this would be	**very**	much appreciated.
I'd like to	**officially**	request access to the evidence.
You don't have an electronic dictionary	**that I can borrow**	, do you?
There's something	**that/ I think/ that I think**	you can help me with.
This is	**a bit**	cheeky, I know, but can you iron my shirt while you're there?
You don't mind washing my car	**for me**	, do you?

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