

# **Modal Verb Practice**

# Choose the correct modal verb

Fill	in the blanks with the correct modal verb: can, could, should, would, might, must.			
1.	You wear a helmet when riding a bike. (necessity)			
2.	I borrow your pen? (polite request)			
3.	I swim when I was 5 years old. (past ability)			
4.	We go to the park later, but it depends on the weather. (possibility)			
5.	You visit your grandparents more often. (advice)			
6.	you like some coffee? (polite offer)			
7.	They be here by now; I'm not sure. (possibility)			
8.	She finish the report by tomorrow. (necessity)			
9.	You see that movie; it's really good. (recommendation)			
10.	He lift that heavy box, but he needs help. (ability)			
Re	write the sentences using modal verbs			
Cha	ange the sentences using the correct modal verb (can, could, should, must, might, would) to			
ma	ke them more polite or show possibility, advice, or obligation.			
1.	It is necessary for you to study hard.			
	You study hard.			
2.	It's possible that she'll come to the party.			
	She come to the party.			
3.	It's a good idea to visit the museum.			
	You visit the museum.			
4.	It's impossible for him to solve the problem alone.			
	He solve the problem alone.			
5.	Is it okay if I sit here?			
	I sit here?			
	Would			
Modal verbs in conversation				
Coi	mplete the conversation using can, could, should, must, would.			
A: I	Hey! I'm going shopping later you like to come with me?			
	Sure! I help you choose some new clothes.			
	γ Γhat's great! I buy a new jacket.			
	You definitely try the new store downtown. They have great deals.			
A: I	A: I heard it's really good, but I go today because I have a lot of work to do later.			

# Match the modal verbs to their meanings Draw a line connecting the modal verb to its correct use. 1. Must → a. Past ability 2. Can → b. Possibility

Can → b. Possibility
 Might → c. Necessity

4. **Should** → d. Ability

5. **Could** → e. Advice

# Fill in the gaps

Use <b>must, can't, might, could</b> to complete the sentences.					
1.	He be at work already; it's only 7 AM.				
2.	This bag is really heavy! It	have something valuable inside.			
3.	They not be home righ	t now; the lights are off.			
4.	I'm not sure, but she k	now the answer to your question.			

# Modal Verbs: can, could, might, may, must, shall, should, will, would

Use each modal verb to make a sentence and ask a question.

Use your *English Studies* as a topic.

	Example:	Can - I can study English until next year.
		Can - Can you help me with my English?
Can		
Can		
May		
May		
Shall		
Shall		
Will		
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Could		
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Should	d	

Should

# **Teacher's Key**

#### Choose the correct modal verb

Fill in the blanks with the correct modal verb: can, could, should, would, might, must.

- 1. You *must* wear a helmet when riding a bike. (necessity)
- 2. **Could** I borrow your pen? (polite request)
- 3. I **could** swim when I was 5 years old. (past ability)
- 4. We *might* go to the park later, but it depends on the weather. (possibility)
- 5. You **should** visit your grandparents more often. (advice)
- 6. Would you like some coffee? (polite offer)
- 7. They <u>might</u> be here by now; I'm not sure. (possibility)
- 8. She **must** finish the report by tomorrow. (necessity)
- 9. You **should** see that movie; it's really good. (recommendation)
- 10. He *can* lift that heavy box, but he needs help. (ability)

# Rewrite the sentences using modal verbs

Change the sentences using the correct modal verb (can, could, should, must, might, would) to make them more polite or show possibility, advice, or obligation.

1. It is necessary for you to study hard.

You *must* study hard.

2. It's possible that she'll come to the party.

She *might* come to the party.

3. It's a good idea to visit the museum.

You should visit the museum.

4. It's impossible for him to solve the problem alone.

He *can't* solve the problem alone.

5. Is it okay if I sit here?

May or Could I sit here?

#### Modal verbs in conversation

Complete the conversation using can, could, should, must, would.

A: Hey! I'm going shopping later. Would you like to come with me?

B: Sure! I *can* help you choose some new clothes.

A: That's great! I *must* buy a new jacket.

B: You **should** definitely try the new store downtown. They have great deals.

A: I heard it's really good, but I might go today because I have a lot of work to do later.

# Match the modal verbs to their meanings

Draw a line connecting the modal verb to its correct use.

- 1. **Must** → c. Necessity
- 2. **Can** → d. Ability
- 3. **Might** → b. Possibility
- 4. **Should** → e. Advice
- 5. **Could** → a. Past ability

# Fill in the gaps

Use must, can't, might, could to complete the sentences.

- 1. He *can't* be at work already; it's only 7 AM.
- 2. This bag is really heavy! It *might* have something valuable inside.
- 3. They *must* not be home right now; the lights are off.
- 4. I'm not sure, but she *could* know the answer to your question.