

MODAL VERBS

1. Pair Work: Advice and Recommendations

Practice using should, ought to, and must when giving advice and recommendations.

- Work in pairs.
- Use the list of problems or situations below (or come up with your own problems).
- They take turns giving advice using modal verbs.

Example Problems

- 1. "I always feel tired."
- 2. "I want to learn English faster."
- 3. "I forgot my friend's birthday."
- 4. "I lost my wallet."
- 5. "I'm nervous about my job interview."
- 6. "My mom can't cook."
- 7. "My aunt is overweight."
- 8. "My grandpa can't hear well."

Example Conversation

Student A: "I always feel tired."

Student B: "You should sleep earlier.

You must drink more water, too."

2. Group Activity: What Would You Do?

Use **would**, **could**, **might** to discuss hypothetical situations.

- Work in small groups.
- Discuss what you would do in these scenarios.

Example Situations

- 1. "What would you do if you won a million dollars?"
- 2. "What could you do if you were invisible for a day?"
- 3. "What would you do if you lost your phone in a taxi?"
- 4. "What might happen if everyone stopped using cars?"
- 5. "What could you do if you had one extra day off every week?"

Each student should contribute by using **would**, **could**, or **might** in their answers.

3. Polite Requests Role-Play

Practice using can, could, and would for polite requests and offers.

- Look at the different scenarios to act out.
- One student will make a polite request, and the other will respond.

Example Scenarios

1. Asking a friend to help with homework.

Student A:

Example Conversation

2. Asking a stranger for directions.

"Could you help me with my homework?"

3. Asking a classmate to borrow their notes. Student B:

- 4. Offering to help someone carry their bags. "Sure, I can help you after class."
- 5. Offering to bring a drink at a party.

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4. Possibility Predictions

Practice using might, could, and may to discuss possibilities.

• In pairs or groups, discuss future predictions using modal verbs for possibility.

Prompts

- 1. "What might happen in the next 10 years?"
- 2. "What could change about technology in the future?"
- 3. "What may happen if we don't stop climate change?"
- 4. "How might people travel in 50 years?"
- 5. "What could happen if everyone worked from home?"

Example Conversation

- Student A: "In the next 10 years, we might have flying cars."
- Student B: "Yes, and people could live on other planets."

5. Debate: Must or Should?

Use **must** and **should** for obligation and advice in a debate format.

 Choose controversial or everyday topics, and have students debate using must (strong obligation) and should (advice).

Debate Topics

- 1. "Students must wear school uniforms."
- 2. "People should recycle more."
- 3. "Everyone must exercise every day."
- 4. "You should learn a second language."
- 5. "Drivers **must** not use phones while driving."

Example Debate

- Student A: "People must recycle more to help the environment."
- Student B: "I think people should recycle, but it shouldn't be forced."

6. Interview: Ability and Possibility

Use can, could, and might to talk about ability and possibility.

 Students pair up and interview each other using questions about abilities and possibilities.

Sample Questions

- 1. "What skills can you use at work?"
- "Could you swim when you were younger?"
- 3. "What new hobby might you try in the future?"
- 4. "What languages can you speak?"
- 5. "What **could** you do if you had more free time?"