

...auxiliary ... only exist in their helping form; they cannot act alone as the main verb in a sentence. ... and have are called modals. Unlike other auxiliary verbs ... We use them

complementary verbs that are, modal verbs do not work without another verb. This other verb always follows the modal and is in the base form (the infinitive without "to"). The modal verbs are not conjugated and they have no time.



EXAMPLES



It may rain.
It may not rain.
May it rain?
Yes, it may.
No, it may not.

possibility



I would like to go with you.
I would not like to go with you.
Would you like to go with me?
Yes, I would.
No, I wouldn't.

offers and invitations



Frank should smoke one a week.
Frank shouldn't smoke, she will sick even more.
Shouldn't Frank smoke, she will sick even more?
Yes, she should.
No, she shouldn't.

suggestions



They can swim.
They can't swim.
Can they swim?
Yes, they can.
No, they can't.

abilities

1. Look after others and things
2. Follow directions
3. Keep hands, feet, and clothes in good
4. Keep yourself and your things clean
5. Be helpful to other and general projects
6. Work and play in safe manner

You have to respect the school rules.
You haven't to respect the school rules.
Have you to respect the school rules?
Yes, I have.
No, I haven't.

obligations



Hans could skate when he was six years.
Hans couldn't skate when he was six years.
Could Hans skate when he was six years?
Yes, he could.
No, he couldn't.

permission and abilities in past



We must recycle and take care our planet.
We must not waste the water.
Must we recycle and take care the planet?
Yes, we must.
No, we must not.

obligations and prohibitions



	USES	EXAMPLE
CAN	General ability. Request.	They <u>can</u> control their <u>own budgets</u> . We <u>can't</u> fix it. <u>Can</u> I smoke here? <u>Can</u> you help me?
COULD	General ability in the past. Request.	<u>Could</u> I borrow your dictionary? <u>Could</u> you say it again more <u>slowly</u> ? We <u>could</u> try to fix it <u>ourselves</u> . I think we <u>could</u> have another <u>Gulf War</u> . He gave <u>up</u> his old job so he <u>could</u> work for us.
MAY	Asking for permission Possibility.	<u>May</u> I have another cup of coffee? China <u>may</u> become a major economic power.
SHOULD	To give advice, a recommendation or a suggestion.	You really <u>should</u> go to the new restaurant on Main Street. I think you <u>should</u> study for the test so that you don't fail.
WOULD	Used as a polite invitation or to offer. Describe a prediction (hypothetical situations). To not sound impolite when disagreeing with someone.	<u>Would</u> you like to go to the movies with me <u>tonight</u> ? It <u>would</u> be nice to have a <u>barbecue</u> . <u>I wouldn't</u> agree with that.
HAVE TO	Shows us that the obligation comes from somebody else. It's a law or a rule and the speaker can't change it.	We <u>have to</u> complete this activity by Friday. In Britain you <u>have to</u> buy a TV license every year.
MUST	Shows us that the obligation comes from the speaker. It isn't a law or a rule.	I <u>must</u> memorize all of these rules about modal verbs. I <u>must</u> call my dad <u>tonight</u> .



1 Match them.

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| 1. ¿Te gustaría bailar conmigo? | A. I can help your mother. |
| 2. Yo puedo ayudar a tu mamá. | B. Carlos can eat later. |
| 3. Carlos puede comer después. | C. I should study more. |
| 4. Debes ser buen hijo | D. You have to abide the rules of the school |
| 5. Yo debería estudiar más. | E. You must be a good son |
| 6. Ustedes deben llamar a la policía. | F. You must call the police. |
| 7. Debes cumplir las reglas del colegio. | G. Would you like to dance with me? |

2 Pick the right Modals verb.

- I think you shouldn't wear that dress. It doesn't suit you. (don't have to - must - shouldn't)
- We had to take our food to school. We went to the canteen. (had to - didn't have to - didn't need to)
- All children must fasten their seatbelts when travelling by car. (have to- should- must)
- You mustn't drink that. It's poison. (Must-should-mustn't)
- would I stay and help you or you can do it alone? (Should- Must- Would)
- You can not be very rich to go skiing nowadays. (must not- have not- can not)
- I can't go out now. I have to do my homework, my mummy tells me. (should - have to - must)
- You must use your flash inside the Museum, it's forbidden. (wouldn't -must-mustn't)
- We have to be cautious. We shouldn't try and cross the river now. (have to- should- shouldn't)

3 Choose the right modals verb in brackets, and then answer the questions.

MY BEST FRIENDS LIFE

I have many friends. But only two best friends. They are fond of dancing. They can (can/must) dance very well. They always make a scene.

I will shortly tell you about one of them. She could (could/would) dance so well when she was little. She is 15 years old. She has danced for 10 years, but now she can't (can't/ shouldn't) do it. Because is not allowed to dance, because she has a problem with her legs. For the first time she danced. But then her legs started achin. Then she asked for advice to her mother. Mother sent her to doctor. And request her to really go. When she came to doctor she showed him her legs. The doctor prescribed her tablets. The Alesja asked him for permission to dance.

Because she really needed to dance. The doctor said to her that that now she wouldn't

1. How many friends does she have got? two best friends
2. What can her best friends do? dance very well
3. Could she dance in this moment? Not, because is not allowed to dance
4. Has she danced for twelve years? Not, has dance for ten years
5. Could she dance in the future? Maybe, dance

9 Imagine it is the year 3000. Describe how things are then.

- A. What people can/can't do; what they may wear.
- B. What education is like:
What students have/don't have to do, must/must not do, etc.
What teachers have/don't have to do, must/must not do, etc.
- C. The aspect of cities.
- D. Means of transport; cars, trains, planes, new means of transport (cars can fly)
- E. Jobs (workers have to...../don't have to; bosses have to../ don't have to.....). what offices or companies are like.
- F. What the weather may be like.
- G. Things that should be/shouldn't be different.

The people together with aliens

life in mars

Flying car

square offices

toxic climate because we are going to

damage the planet

they are going to teach us to survive

since there will be no more governments

or the economy

spaceship

Modals verbs

	technical %	general %
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<u>Must</u> (obligation/necessity)	10.3%	7.1%
<u>Had to</u> (obl in the past)	0.0%	4.3%
<u>No Have to</u> (No obligation)	0.0%	0.7%
<u>may/might</u> (permission)	0.0%	5.7%
<u>may/might</u> (possibility)	50.0%	34.8%
<u>should</u> (obligation/necessity)	21.8%	3.5%
<u>would</u> (prediction/probability)	7.7%	27.0%
<u>would</u> (intention)	0.0%	11.3%
<u>Need to</u> (necessity)	10.3%	2.8%
<u>ought to</u> (obligation)	0.0%	2.8%

- Can
- Should
- would
- will
- must
- might
- may
- could



1. you May listen to the teacher
2. you mustn't park here
3. people don't have to waste food
4. might it snow tomorrow?
5. I shall have a coffee, please
6. you should do more exercise
7. you mustn't drink alcohol
8. you can play the guitar?
9. would you like to go by train?
10. I may play tennis tomorrow

Activity video

1: Can I help you?

* you should wear an apron

* first we must mix everything in order to obtain the dough

* now we must roll the dough with the rolling pin

* can I do it, please?

* can I slice the onion?

* No, you shouldn't

* because your eyes may start to burn

* but you can cut the bacon

* you must be careful with the knife

* and you shouldn't cut it so fast

* Now we must put it in the oven

* How long should we bake our pizza

* we shouldn't bake it for more than 15 minutes,

* it could get burned

* the pizza must be ready now

* you must wash your hands before you eat

* you must be very hungry

* could you pass me the ketchup, please?

* would you like some more?

* I would like an ice cream now

* let's go to the park and have some ice cream
shall we?

* that sounds awesome shall I take my bike too?

* and shall I take my roller skates?

* you can take your bike and roller skates too

* it's so great that you can roller skate,
michelle

* I wish I could do it, too

* it must be terrific

* I will teach you soon

* but you can ride your bike without

* you should be content with that for now

* can I pick them, grandma?

* No, you mustn't pick the flowers

* Can I drink water from this fountain?

* No you shouldn't drink water from that fountain

* you might get sick

- * you can make a wish
- * it might just come true
- * will you buy me a chocolate ice cream, please?
- * I would like a vanilla ice cream
- * May I help you?
- * I would like three single cone of ice cream, please
- * May I have a double cone grand ma?
- * you shouldn't eat so much because you
- * can get a sore throat
- * what flavor would you like?
- * I would like vanilla, chocolate
- * you mustn't throw rubbish on the ground, Alice
- * you must throw it into the garbage can
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