

b. What were you doing half an hour ago?

I was entering my English class half an hour ago

c. What were you doing five hours ago?

I was entering five hours ago

d. What were you doing at seven o'clock this morning?

I was entering English class

e. What were you **thinking** about few minutes ago?

I was thinking what class I played

f. Were you watching TV last night?

if I was watching tv

g. Was it raining a few hours ago? Was it snowing?

NO it wasn't raining, in this country it was not snowing

h. What was our teacher **saying** a few minutes ago?

The teacher was saying what activity we have.

i. Were we studying English an hour ago?

if we were in class an hour ago

j. What were you doing at midnight last night?

I was asleep

k. What were you doing at noon yesterday?

I was having lunch

l. Who were you talking to a few minutes ago?

I was talking to David a few minutes ago

m. What were you doing at seven o'clock last night?

I was playing with my pet

MODALS VERBS

All the auxiliary verbs except be, do and have are called modals. Unlike other auxiliary verbs modals only exist in their helping form; they cannot act alone as the main verb in a sentence.

main verb +

	USES	EXAMPLE
CAN	- General ability. - Request.	+ They can control their own budgets. - We can't fix it. ? Can I smoke here?
COULD	General ability in the past. Request.	Could I borrow your dictionary? Could you say it again more slowly? We could try to fix it ourselves. I think we could have another Gulf War. He gave up his old job so he could work for us.
MAY	Asking for permission Possibility.	May I have another cup of coffee? China may become a major economic power.
SHOULD	To give advice, a recommendation or a suggestion.	You really should go to the new restaurant on Main Street. I think you should study for the test so that you don't fail.

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	USES	EXAMPLE
WOULD	Used as a polite invitation or to offer. Describe a prediction (hypothetical situations). To not sound impolite when disagreeing with someone.	Would you like to go to the movies with me tonight? It would be nice to have a barbecue. I wouldn't 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 have to complete this activity by Friday. In Britain you have to 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 must memorize all of these rules about modal verbs. I must call my dad tonight.



1 Choose the right Modals verb.

1. Where should/may they meet you?
2. You shouldn't/couldn't work so hard
3. You may/have to leave if you like.
4. I can/~~would~~ speak five languages.
5. You must not/~~have to~~ drink and drive.
6. When would/could you like to go to the movies?

2 Choose the right modals verb in **bracket**, 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 can't (can't/wouldn't) dance but in the future she might dance.

Now she is okey and she can dance. The doctor gave her permission for that. We are very happy that this situation ended well.

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1. Could she dance in this moment? yes she could
2. Has she danced for twelve years? not she hasn't
3. How many friends does she have got? - / - / - / - / -
4. What can her best friends do? when danced
5. Could she dance in the future? yes she could

Vocabulary

• ride - rodeo

• bracket - soporte

• sang - cantó

• well - bien

• wrote - escribió

• allowed - permitido

• bought - compró

• achin - dolor

• saw - vió

• ghost - fantasma

• found - fundar

• cottage - cabaña

• woods - bosque

• thinking - pensando

• saying - diciendo

• unlike - diferente a

• disagreeing - en desacuerdo

DO WHAT MAKES YOU HAPPY