

1. Underline the modal Verbs. Say what they mean: *asking for permission, giving permission, possibility, deduction, ability, advice, obligation, prohibition, no necessity(= no obligation)*:

- a. Can I use your pen?
- b. You may telephone from here.
- c. Bicycles must not be left here.
- d. Sue has had to sell her car.
- e. I should learn to type.
- f. He must study very hard. His marks are always very good.
- g. I must be careful with these glasses.
- h. The neighbours are complaining. We'd better turn the music down.
- i. You needn't bring sandwiches. We can stop at a restaurant.
- j. I don't have to work on Sundays.
- k. Are they Greek? They can't be Greek. They are speaking Italian.
- l. The driver was able to stop just before he hit the wall.

2. Rewrite the following sentences using the modal verbs that you know. There may be more than one possible answer for each meaning.

- a. It's not necessary for you to wait for the bus. I can give you a lift.
- b. Perhaps it will rain tomorrow.
- c. I'm sure he doesn't cheat in the exams. He's too honest for that.
- d. The students are outside the high school. I assume it is break-time.
- e. You'd better apply for that job. It's very well paid.
- f. Drivers are forced to stop whenever the police asks them to.
- g. Perhaps Mary will need your help.
- h. Visitors aren't allowed to stay in the hospital after 10 p.m.
- i. Exams are in a month's time. It would be a good idea that students started studying.
- j. There is a possibility that John will pass his driving test.
- k. I knew how to cook when I started working.
- l. Do you mind if I phone from here?
- m. People are allowed to camp here.
- n. You aren't obliged to come to the lecture.
- o. Perhaps she'll phone later.

- p. It's impossible that she sees us.
- q. I'm sure the bus leaves.

3. Complete with the suitable modal verb/s, depending on the meaning of the sentence.

- a. Ben's sweaters are all dirty. He _____ wash them.
- b. I know. I _____ to give it up. I _____ smoke, but I can't help it.
- c. You _____ take an umbrella. It isn't going to rain.
- d. Come on! We _____ hurry. We _____ be late.
- e. The previous owners had recently decorated the flat, so we _____ decorate it ourselves.
- f. I _____ go to the airport. I'm meeting someone.
- g. _____ I use your phone, please?
- h. You _____ park here. It's not permitted.
- i. We can stay a bit longer. We _____ go now.

⇒ **SHOULD OR WOULD** (Write in the negative form, when required)

- 1. If I were you, I do it like that. (-)
- 2. I think you phone the police.
- 3. you like a cup of tea?
- 4. It be better if you turned it upside down.
- 5. I think everybody stop smoking.
- 6. Ann said that she be here at six o'clock but she isn't.
- 7. People drink and drive. (-)
- 8. What you do if you won a million dollars.

⇒ Use *may, should, must or will* to complete these sentences.

- 1. You..... be blind if you can't see the sign!
- 2. It's raining. You take an umbrella.
- 3. Excuse me, but I ask you something personal?
- 4. Listen. I may be late this evening, so don't wait for me.
- 5. If you see George, you give him this message?
- 6. Before the plane lands, the 'No Smoking' sign come on.
- 7. When the 'No Smoking' sign comes on , you stop smoking.
- 8. The train should be there in a few minutes, but you never know.

Sol.lucions exercicis de modals

- 1- subratlla modal i dir què vol dir: a. Asking for permission, b. Giving permission, c. Prohibition, d. obligation, e. Advice, f. Deduction, g. obligation, h. advice, i. No necessity, j. No necessity, k. Deduction (negative), l. Ability
- 2- reescriure frases
 - a. you needn't /don't have to /don't need to wait
 - b. it may/might rain
 - c. he can't cheat
 - d. it must be break-time
 - e. you should/had better/ought to apply
 - f. drivers must/have to stop
 - g. Mary may/might need
 - h. Visitors can't/mustn't stay
 - i. Students should/ought to/had better
 - j. John may/might pass
 - k. I could cook
 - l. Can/may/might/could I phone from here?
 - m. People can/may/are allowed to camp here
 - n. You don't need to/don't have to /needn't
 - o. She may/might phone later
 - p. She can't see us
 - q. The bus must be leaving
3. Completa amb el modal adequat
 - a. should/ought to/had better
 - b. should give it up (ho hauria de deixar)- shouldn't (no hauria de) (I can't help it- no ho puc evitar)
 - c. needn't/don't need to / don't have to
 - d. should /must hurry (obligació o consell)
 - e. needn't/don't have to/don't need to (owner-proprietari)
 - f. should/must, have to
 - g. May/can/might/could I use the phone?
 - h. Can't, mustn't
 - i. Needn't/don't need to/don't have to (no cal que marxem, ens podem quedar una mica més)
4. should o would
1 would not, 2 should, 3 would, 4 would, 5 should, 6 would, 7 should not, 8 would
5. completar
1 must, 2 should, 3 may, 4 may, 5 will , 6 will, 7 must, 8 should