

## MODAL VERBS

1. **My brother .... come next week, but I am still not sure.**  
 a) would                      b) ought  
 c) might                      d) can
2. **Children, you ... speak English in the French class.**  
 a) oughtn't                      b) hadn't  
 c) haven't                      d) mustn't
3. **You ... swim when you were a baby, could you?**  
 a) don't                      b) couldn't  
 c) can't                      d) might
4. **We haven't decided yet, but we ... go to Greece next year.**  
 a) may                      b) can  
 c) should                      d) ought
5. **I know I ... have told you that before.**  
 a) can                      b) ought  
 c) should                      d) need
6. **There's plenty of time. You ... come so early.**  
 a) needn't                      b) weren't  
 c) can't                      d) couldn't
7. **You ... heard the explosion. It was deafening.**  
 a) might                      b) might have  
 c) could have                      d) must have
8. **Do you think we ... tell your mother?**  
 a) should                      b) ought  
 c) oughtn't                      d) did
9. **Excuse me, .... I smoke in this room?**  
 a) may                      b) shall  
 c) ought                      d) should
10. **I don't think we ... to write about that subject yet. It's too sensitive.**  
 a) should                      b) must  
 c) ought                      d) might
11. **You smoke too much. You ... either cut down or stop completely.**  
 a) ought                      b) might  
 c) may                      d) should
12. **You ... have more money if you didn't spend so much.**  
 a) may                      b) should  
 c) might                      d) ought
13. **She is still there. You ... hurry.**  
 a) might not                      b) shouldn't  
 c) oughtn't                      d) needn't
14. **You've been working hard. You ... be tired.**  
 a) might                      b) must  
 c) ought                      d) need
15. **When I got married, I ... cook.**  
 a) wasn't                      b) couldn't  
 c) didn't know                      d) can't
16. **When he joined the Navy he ... swim.**  
 a) didn't know                      b) didn't  
 c) couldn't                      d) can't
17. **We've got lots and lots of food. You ... go shopping today.**  
 a) needn't                      b) mustn't  
 c) shouldn't                      d) can't
18. **You ... speak more clearly. I don't understand anything.**  
 a) ought                      b) can't  
 c) should                      d) may
19. **.... I come in, Mr. Smith?**  
 a) Must have                      b) Shan't  
 c) Ought                      d) May
20. **You ... heard that explosion.**  
 a) ought                      b) must have  
 c) should                      d) must