



MODAL VERBS



can สามารถ
ขออนุญาต
ความเป็นไปได้
can't

could สามารถ (อดีต)
ขออนุญาต (สุภาพ)
ความเป็นไปได้
couldn't

Put in **can / can't / could / couldn't**. If none is possible, use 'be able to' in the correct tense.

- _____ you swim **when you were 10**?
- We _____ get to the meeting on time **yesterday** because the train was delayed by one hour.
- He's amazing. He _____ speak 5 languages including Chinese.
- I _____ drive a car until I was 34, then I moved to the countryside so I had to learn.
- She's 7 years old but she _____ read yet — her parents are getting her extra lessons.
- I read the book three times but I _____ understand it.
- James _____ speak Japanese when he lived in Japan, but he's forgotten most of it now.

Modal verb ในรูปอดีต

couldn't

could have
ความสามารถหรือ
การกระทำอะไรบางอย่างใน
อดีตที่ไม่ได้เกิดขึ้นจริง

shouldn't

should have
ข้อแนะนำจากอีกฝ่าย
ในอดีตที่
ไม่ได้เกิดขึ้นจริง

wouldn't

would have
การกระทำในอดีตที่ไม่ได้เกิดขึ้นจริง
เช่น ถ้าสิ่งนั้นเกิดขึ้น
เราจะทำอย่างนั้น
(แต่จริง ๆ แล้วไม่ได้เกิดขึ้น)

could have / should have / would have

+ **V3**



- I _____ (buy) bread but I didn't know we needed it.
(past **possibility**)
- We _____ (not invite) so many people to our party!
I'm worried that we won't have enough room for everyone.
(past negative **advice / regret**)
- I _____ (start) saving money years ago!
(past **advice / regret**)
- They _____ win) the football match, but Greg hurt his ankle.
(past **possibility**)
- The weather _____ (be) any worse!
(past negative **possibility**)
- I _____ (arrive) on time, even if I'd left earlier.
There were dreadful traffic jams all the way. (past negative **possibility**)
- Andrew _____ (call) Amy, but he didn't have her number. (past **willingness**)
- John _____ (go) to Cambridge University, but he decided to travel instead. (past **possibility**)
- I _____ (not eat) so much chocolate! I feel sick!
(past negative **advice / regret**)
- I'm really cold! I _____ my coat.
(past **advice / regret**)