Modals of Permission and Request

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V. Practice

1. Write questions asking for permission, using the words in parentheses.

1. I'd like to use your car tomorrow.
(Could) _____
2. I need to take an early lunch break today.
(May) _____
3. I'd like to sit next to you.
(Do you mind if) _____
4. We want to change the radio station.
(Can) _____
5. I want to go to the mall.
(Can) _____
6. I'd like to pour myself a little more coffee.
(Do you mind if) _____
7. We need to borrow your camera.
(May) _____
8. I'd like to ask you some questions.
(Could) _____

2. Change each imperative to a polite request. Use the words in parentheses.

1. Vacuum the living room, please.
(Can) _____
2. Please trim the rose bushes.
(Could) _____
3. Drive your grandfather to the clinic.
(Would you mind) _____
4. Take out the trash, please.
(Will) _____
5. Please pick up the clothes at the laundry.
(Would) _____
6. Please mow the lawn this afternoon.
(Will) _____
7. Pick up the kids at school, please.
(Would) _____
8. Mop the kitchen floor.
(Would you mind) _____

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3. Circle the correct answer to complete each sentence.

1. ..... I open this window? It's hot in here.
A. May B. Would

2. ..... I use your phone?
A. Would you mind B. Do you mind if

3. The kids want to go swimming. Would you please ..... them to the beach this afternoon?
A. take B. taking

4. ..... you please turn down the music? It's giving me a headache.
A. Can B. Would you mind

5. Would you mind ..... me home? My car is in the shop.
A. driving B. drive

6. I'd love to see Picasso exhibit. Would you ..... with me?
A. go B. going

7. ..... I turn up the radio?
A. Would you mind B. Do you mind if

8. Would you mind ..... me your dictionary? I'd like to look something up.
A. lend B. lending

4. Circle the letter of the appropiate response to each question.

1. Could you lend me some money?
A. Yes, I could.
B. I'm sorry. I can't. I'm broke.
C. No, not at all.

2. Would you mind passing the salt?
A. Go right ahead.
B. No, I wouldn't.
C. Not at all.

3. Could I use the phone?
A. Yes, you could.
B. No, I couldn't.
C. Yes, you can.

4. Do you mind if I change the radio station?
A. Yes, go right ahead.
B. Yes, actually, I do. It's my favourite station.
C. No, you don't.

5. Can you make a call for me?
A. Yes, I'm able to.
B. Certainly.
C. Yes, I may.

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