Modal Verbs

CAN ability in the present, asking for permission

I can play bandurria.

Can I open the window?

COULD ability in the past, asking for permission politely.

When she was young, she could sing beautifully but now I can't.

Could you help me, please?

MUST obligation

He must drive carefully.

You must fasten your seatbelt

MUSTNT not allowed

You mustn't smoke in planes.

SHOULD advice

Lana should buy this shirt. It's beautiful!

Complete with a modal verb

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2. My brother ..... use a towel when he goes to the gym for hygienic reasons.
3. We ..... talk during the exam.
4. My father ..... play guitar when he was 12 but now he .....
5. You ..... change your shirt. It's dirty.
6. We ..... wear uniforms at work.
7. ..... you help me, please?
8. You ..... talk to her. She isn't honest with you.
9. You .....mix black and white clothes in the washing machine.
10. My sister .....help our mother. She's tired.
11. ..... you help me with these heavy bags, please?
12. We go to eleventh floor. We ..... take the lift.
13. You ..... copy in your exams!
14. My cousin .....play basketball.
15. My grandmother ..... eat sugar. She is diabetic.
16. You .....park here. It is not allowed.
17. I ..... swim fast anymore.
18. My aunt ..... write beautiful tales for children. She is a famous writer.
19. ..... I close the door? It's cold.

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