

## Grammar focus : modals

PASSÉ : MODAL (ou équivalent) + BV		PRÉSENT : MODAL (ou équivalent) + BV
Journalists <b>were allowed to</b> publish classified information.	PERMISSION	They <b>MAY</b> interview the President. They <b>are allowed to</b>
News agency <b>had to be</b> cautious during the campaigns.	OBLIGATION	You <b>MUST</b> check the sources. You <b>have to</b>
Journalists <b>were forbidden to</b> re-tweet political posts during the campaign.	INTERDICTION	Media specialists <b>MUSTN'T</b> spread fake news. They <b>are forbidden to</b>
You <b>SHOULD</b> have checked the facts.	CONSEIL	You <b>SHOULD</b> think before you post. You <b>had better</b>
You <b>SHOULDN'T</b> have re-tweeted this post.	REPROCHE	You <b>SHOULDN'T</b> believe all the news on Facebook.

### CONDITIONNEL / FUTUR

She said she **would** do a reverse image search. / She says she **will** do a reverse image search.

### (IM)POSSIBILITE (PASSE) / (IM)POSSIBILITE

She **couldn't** re-tweet his post. / She **can** use a fact-checking site if you have any doubt.

Use the modals or modal phrases below in the right form to fill in the blanks.

*should / be forbidden to / will / have to / may / must / might / should / would / be allowed to / should have / could*

1. We ..... all benefit from a more critical approach to news consumption.
2. Serious journalists ..... strive to report only reliable and verified news.
3. I think tabloid newspapers, such as *The Sun* or *the Daily Mail* ..... be used with caution, especially if they are making sensational claims.
4. Next year all schools ..... include a media literacy education program to teach students how to identify fake news.
5. We really ..... be careful as politicians and media outlets ..... use fake news to manipulate public opinion.
6. Teenagers ..... legally ..... to use social networking sites before the age of 13.
7. It ..... be difficult to identify fake news, but we ..... make an effort to do so.
8. You ..... shown him how to spot false information!
9. As an internet user you are not powerless ; you ..... act to counter the negative influence of fake news by not simply forwarding what has been sent to you without being cautious.
10. Although he complained about it, he ..... publish any content anymore because he had violated the Twitter rules.
11. He said we ..... be extremely careful as AI-generated images are becoming more and more realistic.
12. He ..... publish his article during the last presidential election campaign because it exposed sensitive information.

