

 **May and Might**

When we talk about something that has a possibility of happening soon or in the future, we use **may** or **might**. Note that we can use **may** and **might** for the things that are possible but not certain.



I **may** swim in the lake.

I **may** not swim in the lake.



We **may** go to the park tomorrow.

We **may** not go to the park tomorrow.



He **might** call me tonight.

He **might** not call me tonight.

We can also use **may** when we ask for permission.



**May** I go to the restroom?

Yes, you **may**.



**May** I have one more cookie?

No, you **may** not.

**A. Circle the correct answer for each sentence.**

1. It is very cloudy today. I (may / am) not go outside today.
2. If Peter feels better today, we (are / might) go to the park later.
3. There's heavy traffic on the road. Dad (is / may) be late for dinner.
4. Mrs. Lee is sick today. She (might / was) not come to school.
5. I (might / was) watch TV tonight if I am not too tired.

**B. Complete the conversations.**

1. Q: May I sit here?

A: Yes, you may.

2. Q: \_\_\_\_\_ I have a glass of water?

A: Sure. Here you go.

3. Q: May I go to my room now?

A: \_\_\_\_\_, you may not.

**C. Check ✓ the correct sentences.**

1. It is sunny outside. John wants to go out and play.

- ☐ John might go outside and play because it is sunny outside.
- ☐ John might not go outside and play because it is sunny outside.

2. Jessica is bored. She wants to watch TV.

- ☐ Jessica might not watch TV because she is bored.
- ☐ Jessica might watch TV because she is bored.