



Listen carefully to each audio and match them to the moments at the restaurant below. Listen more than once if necessary.

1)

2)

3)

4)



ASKING FOR A TABLE ☐



DECIDE WHAT TO ORDER ☐



MAKE YOUR ORDER ☐



ASK FOR THE BILL ☐

MODALITY AND POLITENESS:

What do you remember about these concepts?

Look at the following sentences from the audios. What do the words in red mean and what do they convey?

WOULD YOU LIKE FRIES OR A SALAD?

SHOULD WE GET AN APPETIZER?

IT **WILL** BE A 20 MINUTES WAIT THEN

WOULD YOU LIKE ANYTHING FOR DESSERT?

We use Modal Verbs in English to express different possibilities in the present and in the future.

FRIENDLY REMINDER!

In this examples, the modal verb **WILL** expresses a **future prediction** of the time for waiting. Then, in both sentences with the modal verb **WOULD**, the person is being polite using **the past version of WILL** for making an offer or asking for permission.

REMEMBER: In English, we use the **past versions** of the modal verbs to sound **MORE POLITE**.

Last, we have **SHOULD** that is not a past form and more **INFORMAL** for making a **suggestion** or a **recommendation** to another person.

We have other modal verbs like **MAY** to express possibility and permission and also **CAN** or its past version **COULD** (to sound **more polite**) also to **make a request** or asking for permission.



Read the following sentences with modal verbs and match them to the characters from the restaurant.



CHEF



WAITER AND WAITRESS



CUSTOMER

1. May I take your order?
2. Should we drink red wine?
3. Would you bring me another beer?
4. May I talk to the chef, please?
5. You should try my recipe.
6. How would you like to pay madam?
7. I can't tell you my secret ingredient.
8. I will pay by debit card.