

MODAL VERBS IN CONTEXT

Read the following paragraph and fill in the blanks with the correct modal verb (can, could, may, might, would).

Many students struggle with choosing school subjects. Some subjects, like Mathematics, are mandatory, but others _____ (1) be optional. For example, students _____ (2) take Music if they are interested in the arts. In the past, students _____ (3) only choose between a few subjects, but now schools offer more options. Some people believe that all students _____ (4) learn a foreign language because it is useful for their future. However, others argue that students _____ (5) prefer to focus on subjects related to their career goals.

In some schools, students _____ (6) take advanced courses if they show great interest in a subject. For instance, those who enjoy science _____ (7) decide to take extra lessons in Physics or Chemistry. On the other hand, students who struggle with a subject _____ (8) need additional support. Schools _____ (9) also consider including new subjects, such as coding or financial education, as part of their curriculum. If I were in charge, I _____ (10) introduce a subject that helps students develop essential life skills.

1. Possibility
2. Permission
3. Past ability
4. Strong recommendation
5. Hypothetical situation
6. Possibility
7. Less certainty
8. Possibility
9. Suggestion
10. Hypothetical situation