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MODAL VERBS FOR POLITENESS:

Los modal verbs se colocan antes del verbo principal en una oración. Si bien no cambian el significado de la oración, sí modifican el tono. Nos ayudan a cambiar o suavizar lo que decimos para no sonar demasiado directos o agresivos. Los verbos modales incluyen: may, might, can, could, shall, should, will, would.
RECUERDA: Usamos la forma pasada de los modales para ser más corteses.

MODAL VERBS	PAST FORMS
can	***Could***
may	***Might***
shall	***Should***
will	***would***

Imagina que estamos en un restaurante: El camarero o la camarera te trae un plato que no es el que pediste. Te das cuenta de que hay un error y no estás contento con ello. Si le dices al camarero o camarera: "*This is not what I ordered, change it!*", suena muy brusco y directo.

- **Somewhat diplomatic:** *"This is not what I ordered. May you change it?"*
- **Diplomatic:** *"Would it be possible for you to change my dish? This is not what I ordered."*
  "There may be a mistake with my order. Could you change this dish, please?"
- **Even more diplomatic:** *"It looks like there may be a mistake with my order. Maybe you should check it and change this dish, please."*

Al aplicar estos verbos modales, evitamos sonar groseros cuando no es nuestra intención. Nos ayuda a sentirnos en control de la conversación y a llevar a cabo una interacción con respeto mutuo.
Echa un vistazo a las diferencias en la tabla a continuación:

DIRECT:	POLITE:
I want a burger	***May*** *I have a burger, please?*
Let's get dinner.	***Shall*** *we get dinner?*
I need help with this menu.	***Will/Would*** *you help me with this menu?* ***Would you mind*** *helping me with this menu?*

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YOUR TURN!

Transform the following sentences into more polite ones:

1 . I'm hungry. I want some pizza.

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2. Where is the bathroom?

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3. I'm looking for some ice.

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4. We want a table for two.

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5. Give me your recommendation.

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6. Turn down the TV. It is too loud.

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7. I pay by credit card.

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8. Don't add pepper. I'm allergic.

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9. Let's grab a beer!

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10. Where is the Oxford Circus?

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11. I want to pay by credit card.

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12. I need to know where the underground station is.

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13. What's the name of this neighbourhood?

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14. I want a coffee.

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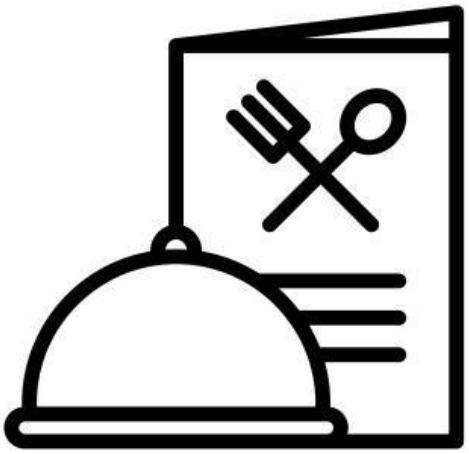
15. This is not my drink. Change it!



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