

# MODAL VERBS

## 1. Match the modal with the function

### MODALS

- can
- could
- may
- might
- should

### FUNCTIONS

- past ability
- permission (formal)
- ability
- advice
- possibility

## 2. Read and identify the function

ability

permission

request

advice

possibility

- I can swim very well. →
- Can you help me, please? →
- You should drink more water. →
- It might rain today. →
- May I come in? →

## 3. Choose the correct modal

- I \_\_\_\_\_ play the guitar very well.
- She \_\_\_\_\_ swim when she was 5.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I use your phone?
- It \_\_\_\_\_ rain later.
- You \_\_\_\_\_ study more.

4. Read the sentences and select C (Correct) or I (Incorrect).

- a) Can I to open the window? \_\_\_\_\_
- b) You should eat vegetables. \_\_\_\_\_
- c) May I coming in? \_\_\_\_\_
- d) She can swim. \_\_\_\_\_
- e) You might be late. \_\_\_\_\_
- f) He not could dance. \_\_\_\_\_

5. Look at the pictures and write sentences using can or can not.

a) swim



b) run



c) sing



d) play



- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) \_\_\_\_\_
- d) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Write sentences using the verbs in the box.

study hard	read	exercise	buy pizza	take a nap
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- a) He is overweight →
- b) She has a test →
- c) He is bored. →
- d) She is tired and sleepy →
- e) They are hungry. →

**7. Put the words in the correct order.**

can / swim / Maria / very well.

should / every day. / study / you

phones / Students / can't / use / during class.

might / today. / not / it / rain

I / may / come in / ?

you / could / when / younger / dance / ?

**8. Read the text and select True (T) or False (F).**

Sara is a high school athlete. She can run very fast. When she was younger, she could run even faster. Next month, she may compete in a regional championship, but she might not be ready because she has a small injury. Her coach says she should rest for a few days. He also says she ought to eat healthy food and drink plenty of water. Sara wants to keep training, but she knows she shouldn't exercise too much if she wants to recover quickly.

- a) Sara is a high school athlete. \_\_\_\_\_
- b) When she was younger, she could run even faster. \_\_\_\_\_
- c) Sara will definitely compete in the regional championship next month. \_\_\_\_\_
- d) Her coach says she ought to eat healthy food and drink plenty of water. \_\_\_\_\_
- e) Sara knows she shouldn't exercise too much while she is recovering. \_\_\_\_\_

**9. Listen to the audio and choose the correct answer**

**What is Emma talking about?**

- a) Her summer vacation.
- b) Her first week at college.
- c) Her favorite teacher.

**Why couldn't Emma find her classrooms on the first day?**

- a) Because she arrived late.
- b) Because she didn't know where they were.
- c) Because the school was closed.

**What may happen next week?**

- a) Emma will start a new job.
- b) The class may have a science quiz.
- c) They will go on a school trip.

**What advice do Emma's teachers give?**

- a) Study only before a test.
- b) Never ask questions.
- c) Study a little every day.

**When may students use their phones?**

- a) During every class.
- b) During lunch.
- c) After school only.

