

## GRAMMAR: Modals of ability and possibility

### 1 Order the words to make sentences.

- to / paint / to / she'd / able / like / be  
\_\_\_\_\_
- able / never / to / swim / he's / been  
\_\_\_\_\_
- be / later / call / I'll / you / to / able  
\_\_\_\_\_
- meet / are / to / tonight / able / us / you  
\_\_\_\_\_?
- they / see / movie / able / the / weren't / to  
\_\_\_\_\_
- being / ride / he / to / motorcycle / able / a / loves  
\_\_\_\_\_
- we / the / museum / to / be / visit / won't / able  
\_\_\_\_\_
- to / a / haven't / able / I / buy / ticket / been  
\_\_\_\_\_

### 2 Read the sentences and complete the replies with the correct form of *can* or *be able to*. There may be more than one answer.

- A Are you coming to the concert next Saturday?  
B No, I'm afraid we're both working, so we \_\_\_\_\_.
- A The best thing about vacations is all the books you can read!  
B Yes, I love \_\_\_\_\_ read all day. It's so relaxing.
- A Why is she taking a math course?  
B She wants \_\_\_\_\_ help her son when he's older.
- A I didn't know you were injured, Jamie.  
B It's pretty bad. I \_\_\_\_\_ play any sports since January.
- A Did you ask Ethan about the trip?  
B No, he was in a meeting all day yesterday, so I \_\_\_\_\_ contact him.
- A I'll bring the groceries back on my bike.  
B Will you \_\_\_\_\_ manage OK?
- A I heard that Suzi is sick.  
B Yes, she \_\_\_\_\_ get out of bed for three days.
- A I get so upset when I can't sleep.  
B Me, too! I really hate \_\_\_\_\_ sleep.

## VOCABULARY: TV and music

### 3 Replace the underlined words with the nouns in the box.

album band track playlist  
channel episode host audience

- The person who introduces the show got into trouble after being rude to his guest. \_\_\_\_\_
- I switched to another TV station to watch a music show. \_\_\_\_\_
- I've just downloaded their latest collection of songs. \_\_\_\_\_
- Someone from the people watching the show asked him a question. \_\_\_\_\_
- I've been watching a series about a boy band; tonight it's the last part of the story. \_\_\_\_\_
- What's on your choice of music for the party? \_\_\_\_\_
- Which is your favorite group of musicians? \_\_\_\_\_
- The second song on the CD is probably the best. \_\_\_\_\_

### 4 Complete the sentences with TV and music words.

- I watched the first episode in the \_\_\_\_\_, but there are four more parts to go.
- They had a few successful records, but *Get by* was probably their biggest \_\_\_\_\_.
- The next time my favorite singer goes \_\_\_\_\_, I'm definitely buying a ticket!
- I have all her music, but I've never seen her perform \_\_\_\_\_ on stage.
- He entered a TV \_\_\_\_\_ and won first prize for singing.
- There's a new \_\_\_\_\_ on Channel 4 tonight about people marrying total strangers!
- My mom loves this \_\_\_\_\_ about a typical small town. It's been on TV for over twenty years.
- I can't stand all the \_\_\_\_\_ they show between TV episode.

## PRONUNCIATION: /ey/ and /u/ sounds

### 5 7.2 Practice saying the sentences. Make sure that you pronounce the vowel sound in *able* /ey/ and the vowel sound in *could* /u/. Listen, check, and repeat.

- I'd love to be able to play the guitar.
- The music was so loud I couldn't hear Diego.
- I won't be able to join you this year.
- Luckily, I was able to take some time off.
- She could play three instruments by the time she was ten.
- We couldn't contact her yesterday.