

Lesson

6

MODAL VERBS

Let's
Learn!

Động từ khuyết thiếu:

can, could, may, might, will, shall, would,
must, have to, need, should, ought to,
had better, used to.



Cấu trúc chung

S + modal verbs + V (bare infinitive)



Types of Modal verbs

Ability

Can - Can't

★ Khả năng, năng lực có thể làm gì ở hiện tại.

Could - Couldn't

★ Khả năng, năng lực có thể làm gì trong quá khứ.

E.g. My sister can play the guitar.
I can't speak Chinese.
He could swim at the age of five.
I couldn't talk when I was two.



Advice

Should - Shouldn't

Ought to - Ought not to

Had better - Had better not

★ Hỏi xin và đưa ra lời khuyên



E.g. You should drink more water.
Should we go out tonight?
He ought not to eat too much chocolate.

Obligation

MUST - phải làm gì

★ Người nói thấy bản thân, ai phải làm gì. (quan điểm cá nhân - tác nhân bên trong)

HAVE TO - phải làm gì

★ Quy định, luật lệ, tình hình thực tế, sự thật. (tác nhân bên ngoài)

Hiện tại: have to - has to

Tương lai: will have to

Quá khứ: had to

E.g. I must study harder for the final exam.
I have to wear a uniform when going to school.
I had to work long hours when I worked for that company.





Necessity

Cần thiết làm gì

Need + V

Need + to V (need chia theo thì)

Không cần thiết làm gì

Needn't + V

Don't/ Doesn't/ Didn't need + to V

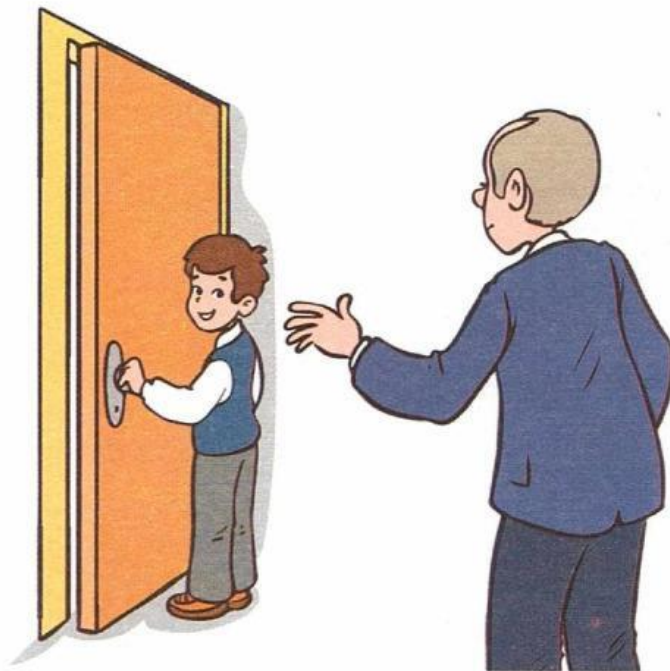
Don't/ Doesn't/ Didn't have to + V

E.g. He needs to go out now.
I needn't clean the house.
I don't need / have to clean the house.

Prohibition

Mustn't - cấm làm gì

E.g. You mustn't enter this room.



Exercise 14. Rewrite these sentences using modal verbs.

Viết lại câu sao cho nghĩa không đổi, sử dụng động từ khuyết thiếu.

1 Is it possible for you to lend me your pencil?

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2 Do you know how to play the guitar?

.....

3 Don't throw litter in the playground. It's against the rules.

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4 My advice is for you to study harder.

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5 Perhaps I won't go to the cinema.

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6 We won't go to school tomorrow because it is Sunday.

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7 Go to the doctor if you still feel unwell.

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8 Can you open the door, please?

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9 It's snowing heavily. Don't go out.

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10 Look at the sky. Perhaps it will rain soon.

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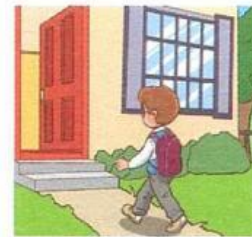
Exercise 15. Choose the sentence that is closest in meaning to the original sentence in each of the following questions.

Chọn câu đồng nghĩa với câu cho sẵn.

- 1 We are not allowed to take photos in the museum.
 A. We may take photos in the museum.
 B. We should take photos in the museum.
 C. We mustn't take photos in the museum.
 D. We needn't take photos in the museum.



- 2 Perhaps he will come home after 8 p.m.
 A. He must come home after 8 p.m.
 B. He can come home after 8 p.m.
 C. He should come home after 8 p.m.
 D. He may come home after 8 p.m.



- 3 It isn't necessary for you to do the shopping today.
 A. You mustn't do the shopping today.
 B. You shouldn't do the shopping today.
 C. You may not do the shopping today.
 D. You needn't do the shopping today.



- 4 They don't let us wear shorts in the temple.
 A. We may wear shorts in the temple.
 B. We should wear shorts in the temple.
 C. We mustn't wear shorts in the temple.
 D. We needn't wear shorts in the temple.



- 5 It's likely that we will be late for the meeting.
 A. We need get to the meeting late.
 B. We should get to the meeting late.
 C. We might get to the meeting late.
 D. We must get to the meeting late.



- 6 It's possible that we won't go camping this weekend.
 A. We will probably go camping this weekend.
 B. We will not go camping this weekend.



- C. We may not go camping this weekend.
D. We must not go camping this weekend.

- 7 It is against the rules to fight at school.
A. You don't have to fight at school.
B. You must fight at school.
C. You mustn't fight at school.
D. You shouldn't fight at school.



- 8 It's better for you to go to bed early.
A. You must go to bed early.
B. You ought to go to bed early.
C. You may go to bed early.
D. You needn't go to bed late.



- 9 It is unnecessary for you to finish your essay by tomorrow.
A. You don't have to finish your essay by tomorrow.
B. You have to finish your essay by tomorrow.
C. You may finish your essay after tomorrow.
D. You shouldn't finish your essay until tomorrow.



- 10 It is compulsory for all the students to hand in their assignments on time.
A. All the students must hand in their assignments on time.
B. All the students can't hand in their assignments on time.
C. All the students may hand in their assignments on time.
D. All the students needn't hand in their assignments on time.

Exercise 16. Choose the sentence that is closest in meaning to the original sentence in each of the following questions.

Chọn câu đồng nghĩa với câu cho sẵn.

- 1 You are allowed to take some photos at the park.
A. You may take some photos at the park.
B. You musn't take some photos at the park.
C. You could take some photos at the park.
D. You need to take some photos at the park.



- 2 It isn't necessary for us to get a visa for Singapore.
 - A. We needn't get a visa for Singapore.
 - B. We mustn't get a visa for Singapore.
 - C. We mayn't get a visa for Singapore.
 - D. We shouldn't get a visa for Singapore.
- 3 Every student is required to study a foreign language.
 - A. Every student might study a foreign language.
 - B. Every student has to study a foreign language.
 - C. Every student can study a foreign language.
 - D. Every student should study a foreign language.
- 4 It's necessary for you to drink enough water every day.
 - A. You need to drink enough water every day.
 - B. You may drink enough water every day.
 - C. You needn't drink enough water every day.
 - D. You mustn't drink enough water every day.
- 5 My son has the ability to speak three languages.
 - A. My son could speak three languages.
 - B. My son should speak three languages.
 - C. My son can speak three languages.
 - D. My son might speak three languages.
- 6 Those bags look heavy. Let me help you, Mistress.
 - A. May I help you with those heavy bags, Mistress?
 - B. Shall I help you with those heavy bags, Mistress?
 - C. Should I help you with those heavy bags, Mistress?
 - D. Will I help you with those heavy bags, Mistress?
- 7 Do you stay for dinner this evening?
 - A. Will you like to stay for dinner this evening?
 - B. Should you like to stay for dinner this evening?
 - C. Would you like to stay for dinner this evening?
 - D. May you like to stay for dinner this evening?
- 8 It's possible that I will finish work earlier than usual today.
 - A. I must finish earlier than usual today.
 - B. I ought to finish earlier than usual today.

- C. I have to finish earlier than usual today.
- D. I may finish earlier than usual today.

9 It isn't necessary for your mum to do the cleaning.

- A. Your mum doesn't have to do the cleaning.
- B. Your mum needs to do the cleaning.
- C. Your mum shouldn't do the cleaning.
- D. Your mum might not do the cleaning.

10 I'm thinking about travelling to Paris next month.

- A. I must travel to Paris next month.
- B. I might travel to Paris next month.
- C. I had better travel to Paris next month.
- D. I can travel to Paris next month.

Exercise 17. Choose the sentence that is closest in meaning to the original sentence in each of the following questions.

Chọn câu đồng nghĩa với câu cho sẵn.

1 Don't eat so quickly or you'll get stomachache.

- ☐ A. Don't eat so quickly because you may get a stomachache.
- ☐ B. Don't eat so quickly because you must get a stomachache.
- ☐ C. Don't eat so quickly because you had better get a stomachache.
- ☐ D. Don't eat so quickly because you could get a stomachache.

2 It's not a good idea to stay up late.

- ☐ A. You ought to stay up late.
- ☐ B. You have to stay up late.
- ☐ C. You shouldn't stay up late.
- ☐ D. You can stay up late.

3 You are allowed to eat at the restaurant without reserving in advance.

- ☐ A. You need to reserve in advance to eat at the restaurant.
- ☐ B. You may not reserve in advance to eat at the restaurant.
- ☐ C. You mustn't reserve in advance to eat at the restaurant.
- ☐ D. You don't have to reserve in advance to eat at the restaurant.



- 4 I advised you to put your money in the bank.
 - A. You had better put your money in the bank.
 - B. You have better put your money in the bank.
 - C. You can put your money in the bank.
 - D. You need put your money in the bank.
- 5 You are free to look at anything you like.
 - A. You must look at anything you like.
 - B. You could look at anything you like.
 - C. You ought to look at anything you like.
 - D. You may look at anything you like.
- 6 It's not necessary to leave now. The train hasn't arrived.
 - A. We mustn't leave now. The train hasn't arrived.
 - B. We don't have to leave now. The train hasn't arrived.
 - C. We can't leave now. The train hasn't arrived.
 - D. We need to leave now. The train hasn't arrived.
- 7 Smoking is prohibited in this building.
 - A. You mustn't smoke in this building.
 - B. You don't have to smoke in this building.
 - C. You needn't smoke in this building.
 - D. You may not smoke in this building.
- 8 My daughter is able to play the guitar and the piano.
 - A. My daughter may play the guitar and the piano.
 - B. My daughter should play the guitar and the piano.
 - C. My daughter can play the guitar and the piano.
 - D. My daughter could play the guitar and the piano.
- 9 It's necessary to wear a helmet when riding a motorbike.
 - A. You have to wear a helmet when riding a motorbike.
 - B. You should wear a helmet when riding a motorbike.

- ☐ C. You might wear a helmet when riding a motorbike.
- ☐ D. You may wear a helmet when riding a motorbike.

10 It's possible that the bus comes late.

- ☐ A. The bus must come late.
- ☐ B. The bus should come late.
- ☐ C. The bus has to come late.
- ☐ D. The bus may come late.

Exercise 18. Choose sentence that is closest in meaning to the original sentence in each of the following questions.

Chọn câu đồng nghĩa với câu cho sẵn.

1 It's essential to bring your books to each class.

- A. You must bring your books to each class.
- B. You needn't bring your books to each class.
- C. You might bring your books to each class.
- D. You can bring your books to each class.

2 My kid knew how to skate when she was four.

- A. My kid can skate when she was four.
- B. My kid could skate when she was four.
- C. My kid had to skate when she was four.
- D. My kid had better skate when she was four.

3 It is not necessary for Mary to come so early.

- A. Mary needs to come so early.
- B. Mary mustn't come so early.
- C. Mary may not come so early.
- D. Mary doesn't have to come so early.

4 I suggest you use a dictionary more often.

- A. I think you may use a dictionary more often.
- B. I think you ought to use a dictionary more often.
- C. I think you must use a dictionary more often.
- D. I think you can use a dictionary more often.



- 5 I'm not going to water the plants today in case it rains.
 - A. I'm not going to water the plants today because it may rain.
 - B. I'm not going to water the plants today because it must rain.
 - C. I'm not going to water the plants today because it can rain.
 - D. I'm not going to water the plants today because it needs rain.
- 6 It's likely they won't receive the invitation from Jane.
 - A. They must not receive the invitation from Jane.
 - B. They may not receive the invitation from Jane.
 - C. They should not receive the invitation from Jane.
 - D. They need not receive the invitation from Jane.
- 7 It was a bad idea for us to be so rude to our teacher.
 - A. We mustn't be so rude to the policeman.
 - B. We may not be so rude to the policeman.
 - C. We shouldn't be so rude to the policeman.
 - D. We can't be so rude to the policeman.
- 8 There is a possibility of better weather tomorrow.
 - A. The weather might be better tomorrow.
 - B. The weather should be better tomorrow.
 - C. The weather must be better tomorrow.
 - D. The weather could be better tomorrow.
- 9 You are not allowed to get married if you are under 18.
 - A. You needn't get married if you are under 18.
 - B. You don't have to get married if you are under 18.
 - C. You mustn't get married if you are under 18.
 - D. You may not get married if you are under 18.
- 10 I've finished my project. It isn't necessary for me to work overtime any more.
 - A. I need to work overtime any more. I've finished my project.
 - B. I don't have to work overtime any more. I've finished my project.
 - C. I mustn't work overtime any more. I've finished my project.
 - D. I can't work overtime any more. I've finished my project.

Exercise 19. Underline the mistake in the following sentences and correct it.

Tìm và sửa lỗi sai trong những câu dưới đây.

1	Your hair is too long. You may have it cut.	
2	You've got a toothache. You can go to the dentist.	
3	The phone is ringing. Shall you answer it, Laura?	
4	You ought to not watch TV while you are studying.	
5	Henry can drive a car when he was eighteen.	
6	I could like to listen to pop music.	
7	I missed the bus this morning, so I need walk to school.	
8	We must go camping tomorrow if it doesn't rain.	
9	I don't think we should get to school in time.	
10	Visitors don't have to touch any things in the museum.	

Exercise 20. Underline the mistake in the following sentences and correct it. There are three correct sentences.

Tìm và sửa lỗi sai trong những câu dưới đây. Có 3 câu đúng.

1	A horse can run faster than an elephant.	
2	You may do yoga if you want to relax your mind.	
3	Students don't have to cheat in the exams.	
4	Shall I rest for a few minutes? I feel tired.	
5	Would you like to have lunch with me?	



- 6 Road users should stop at a red light.
- 7 You needn't say anything to her. It's a surprise.
- 8 You have to find parkland as you mustn't park here.
- 9 They shouldn't win the match because they played badly yesterday.
- 10 We mustn't buy tickets for the concert. Susan has already bought them.

Exercise 21. Find and correct the mistakes in the following sentences.

Tìm và sửa lỗi sai trong những câu dưới đây.

- 1 Rob may speak Chinese really well. He sounds like a native speaker.
A B C D
- 2 All of you should be careful when using chemicals.
A B C D
- 3 When we were at school, we could stand up whenever a teacher came into the room.
A B C D
- 4 You needn't use a motorbike without wearing a helmet.
A B C D
- 5 I can be at home before 10 p.m; otherwise, my father will be angry with me.
A B C D
- 6 You needn't solve this problem because you don't know anything about technology.
A B C D

- 7 I think you must buy this dress if you want to look more beautiful.
A B C D
- 8 We should spend our holiday in Thailand next month, but I'm not sure.
A B C D
- 9 My son is so talented that he will paint very well.
A B C D
- 10 They said that you shouldn't use your mobile phone at the cinema.
A B C D
- 11 I may not see the singers because there were too many people.
A B C D
- 12 In Vietnamese culture, children should obey their parents and teachers.
A B C D
- 13 Be careful with the knife! It's very sharp, you must cut your finger.
A B C D
- 14 Tourists should pay for their accommodation in advance because it's the hotel's rule.
A B C D
- 15 – Peter, will I borrow your camera tonight?
A B
– Of course, but you must give it back to me tomorrow.
C D

Answers

- 1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
11 12 13 14 15