Activity 1. Pick the right modal verb:

1. Students _____ respect their teachers at all times.

2. You _____ complete your homework on time to avoid penalties.

3. You _____ pay attention in class to understand the lessons better.

4. You _____ cheat on exams because it is against the rules.

5. You _____ use the library after school to study or read books.

Activity 2. What meaning to the sentences in activity 1 express (ability, advice, permission, obligation or prohibition)?

1. ABILITY - ADVICE - PERMISSION - OBLIGATION - PROHIBITION
2.ABILITY - ADVICE - PERMISSION - OBLIGATION - PROHIBITION
3.ABILITY - ADVICE - PERMISSION - OBLIGATION - PROHIBITION
4. ABILITY - ADVICE - PERMISSION - OBLIGATION - PROHIBITION
5. ABILITY - ADVICE - PERMISSION - OBLIGATION - PROHIBITION

Activity 3. Read the text and write the right modal verb.

MUST - CAN (x2) - COULDN'T - SHOULDN'T - SHOULD (x2)

As we grow older, there are many important moments in life. When we are children, we ... play all day without worrying about responsibilities. But, we ... study hard to prepare for the future. As teenagers, we ... drop out of school because education is essential for a good career.

When we become adults, we ... be careful when we want to buy a house without planning. In the past, people moved out of their parents' house early, while others .... afford to do so until they had a stable job.

Later in life, after years of working, we ... finally retire and enjoy our free time. However, we ... save money throughout our lives to have a comfortable retirement.

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Activity 4. Complete with the right modal verb:

should - can (x2) - can't- must- mustn't - couldn't - shouldn't (x2) - could (x2)

1. Sara…. play the guitar very well when she was only 5.
2. You … eat so much chocolate.
3. Martin … skate very well, he practises a lot every day.
4. Mary … speak four different languages. When she was 5, she … speak only 2 languages.
5. People … smoke cigarettes, they are bad for health.
6. I … go to high school every day. I'm only 15.
7. At our high school, we … use our phones.
8. You … do some exercise, it's good for your health.
9. I … go to the cinema last week, it was closed.
10. Mary … go to the party tomorrow, she is on a school trip.

Activity 5. Translate the following sentences.

Los estudiantes deben usar el uniforme escolar.

Los estudiantes no podían entregar tareas tarde.

Los estudiantes pueden usar la biblioteca durante el recreo.

Los estudiantes deberían participar en actividades extraescolares.

Los estudiantes tienen prohibido salir de clase.

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