

may / might



The weather **might** continue to change. We **may** get more storms. We **may** get hotter and wetter summers.

Language focus

Use **may** / **might** to talk about an action that is possible now or in the future.

*We **might** win this match.*

After **may** and **might**, use the **infinitive without to**.

*We **may** go to Venice this summer not **We may to go to Venice this summer**.*

May and **might** are often used similarly to **could**.

*It **may** / **might** / **could** rain later.*

However, notice the difference between them.

*We **could** watch the new Star Wars film.*

(Watching the Star Wars film is one of the many things that it is possible for us to do.)

*We **might** see the new Spider-Man film.*

(It is possible but not certain that we will do it.)

1 Complete the sentences with the verbs from the box.

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1 I may not enter the chess tournament.

2 Miss Smith says we may have another History test next week.

3 Carrie says she may start writing a blog.

4 I may not go to the party tomorrow. I've got too much homework to do.

5 Andreas might not want to watch it. He doesn't like fantasy films.

6 It may be hot at the weekend. If it is, let's go to the beach.

2 Match 1–6 with a–f.

1 We may not play tennis this afternoon.	a That's what it said on the weather forecast.	_____
2 I might meet Julia tonight.	b I'll join them if I finish my English project.	_____
3 My friends may go to the beach on Sunday.	c I think we're good enough.	_____
4 My sister might not go to university in the UK.	d She may go somewhere in the USA instead.	_____
5 Our team might win this year.	e She's back from Galicia.	_____
6 It may snow at the weekend.	f Mum said it might rain.	_____

3 Are the sentences correct or incorrect? Correct the sentences you think are wrong.

1 It might be really cold at the weekend.

Incorrect It might be really cold at the weekend.

2 Helen might not want anything to eat.

3 Sam says he may to come to the party on Saturday.

4 We may spend a week in Lisbon in the summer.

5 I might gone to the cinema tomorrow afternoon.

6 The polar ice caps might melting.

4 Circle the correct forms of *may* and *might*.

1 My weather app says there be a storm coming. Let's go inside!

a may b may not

2 Boris come to the park on Sunday. His grandparents are visiting.

a might not b might

3 We have a picnic tomorrow. Would you like to come?

a may not b may

4 Cristina be uploading some of her songs to YouTube later. She said she wants to share her new material.

a might b might not

5 We go to the pool tomorrow. Everyone wants to go on the new slide!

a might b might not

6 Rana know about the concert. Let's text him and tell him all about it!

a might not b might