

Mini-Quiz 8
Modal verbs, part 1

1. Rewrite the sentences below correctly.

- a. I was surprised when my friend showed me she can to ride a mountain bike.
- b. The most surprising thing was that she could riding very fast.
- c. My brother is taking a guitar tutorial and now he cans play his favourite song.
- d. Do we must go to that restaurant? I don't like the food it serves.
- e. You know that I am your friend and I think you don't should do this.
- f. Teacher! Will we can use a Power Point in our presentations?

2. Match the use to the modal verb:

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| 1. may | a. Ability/lack of ability in the present/future |
| | b. Giving/not giving permission |
| 2. could/could not/ couldn't | c. Ability/lack of ability in the past |
| | d. Ask for permission (question) |
| 3. might/might not | e. A strong possibility in the present/future (weaker) |
| | f. A possibility in the past (+have + Past Participle) |
| 4. can/can't/cannot | g. Making a request |
| | h. Making a suggestion (affirmative) |
| | i. A strong possibility in the present/future (stronger) |

3. _____ you help me? I _____ find the IT office.

- a. might couldn't b. may can't c. could might not

4. If our teacher doesn't give us a lot of homework for tomorrow, I _____ to help you.

- a. can b. might can c. might be able d. am be able

5. I _____ wait to watch *Radioactive*! It's about Marie Curie, my favourite scientist!

- a. couldn't b. might not c. cannot d. may not

True or False (T / F)

6. What are the three main differences between **ought to** and **should**?

Ought to sounds more formal than Should.

Should is less commonly used in question form.

Should is used to express a small possibility but not Ought to.

7. What is the main difference between **must** and **have to**?

Must is an external obligation or rule and have to is a need from the speaker.

8. What is the difference between **mustn't** and **don't have to**?

Mustn't is a prohibition and don't have to removes the obligation or necessity.

9. Match the use to the modal verb:

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| 1. Must/mustn't | a. Expressing an external obligation (positive sentences) |
| | b. Expressing an opinion |
| | c. Expressing a necessity felt by the speaker in the present/future |
| | d. Expressing necessity/obligation or lack of it in a softer tone |
| 2. Should/shouldn't | e. Expressing a necessity/obligation in the past |
| | f. Giving/asking for advice |
| | g. Expressing a prohibition in the present or future |
| 3. Have to/ don't have to | h. Expressing an expectation |
| | i. Removing the necessity/obligation in all tenses |
| | j. Expressing a regret |
| 4. Need to/don't need to | k. Expressing a small possibility |
| | l. making assumptions |

10. My friend failed his driving test last week. He will _____ retake it in a month.

- a. must b. should c. have to d. had to

11. He is a very toxic person. Do you think I _____ continue seeing him?

- a. have to b. need to c. must d. should

12. That man has a very expensive watch. He _____ rich.

- a. must b. has to c. must be d. should be

13. I _____ pass level 5 this winter. I _____ afford paying for the second matriculation!

- a. must can't b. must be..... couldn't c. need to..... don't can d. have to Can