

Verbos Modales (Modal Verbs) Review



Modal Verb	Uses	Examples
Can	Ability Suggestion Request	He can find any street in London. You can take a taxi. Can you take me to Victoria Station?
Be able to	Ability	He is able to find any street in London.
Can't	<i>Certainty that something is impossible</i>	That story can't be true.
Could	Ability Request Suggestion	I could play tennis when I was younger. Could you take me to Victoria Station? You could take a taxi.
Couldn't	<i>Impossibility to do something in the past</i>	He couldn't swim when he was a child.
May	Possibility Formal request	It may be quicker to travel by train. May I come in?
Might	Possibility	It might be quicker to travel by train.
Must	Obligation <i>Certainty that something is true</i>	You must be back at 10 o'clock. Look at the snow. It must be cold outside.
Have to/ Has to	Obligation	You have to be back at 10 o'clock.
Need to/ Needs to	Obligation	You need to study a lot.
Needn't	<i>Lack of obligation</i>	You needn't have a university degree.
Mustn't	<i>Prohibition</i>	You mustn't drive without a licence.
Don't have to/ doesn't have to	<i>Lack of obligation</i>	You don't have to call a taxi.
Should/Shouldn't	<i>Opinion / Advice</i>	You should drive more carefully
Ought to/ ought not to	<i>Opinion / Advice</i>	You ought to drive more carefully