

Modal	Use	Example
1 Can	Ability	I can swim. 
2 Could	Past ability / Polite request	Could you help me? 
3 May	Permission / Possibility	May I come in? 
4 Might	Possibility	It might rain. 
5 Must	Necessity / Strong rule	You must follow the rules. 
6 Should	Advice	You should study daily. 
7 Will	Future / Promise	I will help you. 
8 Would	Polite request / Preference	Would you like some tea? 
9 Shall	Suggestion / Offer	Shall we start? 
10 Ought to	Advice / Duty	You ought to respect your parents. 