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TERCERO MEDIO

El objetivo de esta guía es que los estudiantes identifiquen funciones de diferentes verbos modales y los apliquen en oraciones en diferentes contextos. Para dudas que tengan pueden escribirme un correo a esta dirección: yorka.sepulveda.pulmahue@gmail.com, escribiendo en el asunto el nombre de él o la estudiante y su curso, el horario para correos es de 9am a 7pm. Plazo de entrega: viernes 24 de julio hasta las 2pm

O.A: Identificar usos de diferentes verbos modales

O.A2: Aplicar verbos modales en oraciones

We use modal verbs to express:

ABILITY - CAPABILITY

I **can** swim.

I **could** swim when I was five.

SUGGESTION

You **could** give Mary some flowers.

Shall we buy her a hat?

a REQUEST

Can I go to the cinema tonight?

Could you lend me £5, please?

May I leave the room?

Would you please close the door?

DEDUCTION-ASSUMPTION

It **couldn't** have been John because he's in London.

He drives a Ferrari. He **must** be rich.

PROHIBITION

You **mustn't** eat any more chocolate.

You **should** never repeat what you have just said.

PERMISSION

You **can** go to the cinema.

In the evenings we **could** watch TV.

POSSIBILITY

Measles **can** be quite dangerous.

This vase **could** be very valuable.

He **may** be waiting for us at the airport.

John **might** come to your party.

Would John come with us if we asked him?

SPECULATION

He **may** have gone to Spain with Mary.

Someone **might** have already told his father.

What **would** I have done without you?

Where **shall/will** we be this time next year?

OBLIGATION

You **must** / **have to** study harder!

I **should** be studying but I'm too tired.

NECESSITY

We **must** buy some more vegetables.

Semi-modals (have to/need to) are often preferred. NOT NECESSARY uses don't have to or don't need to/ needn't

We **don't need to** buy any more vegetables.
(It isn't necessary)

ADVICE

You **should** go to the doctor's tomorrow.

You **must** go to the doctor's tomorrow! (emphatic advice)

Semi-modals and other forms are often used. However, they sometimes change the level of intensity of the advice given.

You **ought to/had better/have to/**

DECIDE WHICH OF THE MODAL VERBS IN THE BOX BELOW CORRESPOND TO THE DIFFERENT USES.
SOMETIMES MORE THAN ONE MODAL IS POSSIBLE.

can	could	have to	may	ought to	
must	mustn't	need	had better	should	would

Uses

1. to ask for something politely: **May, could**
2. to offer to do something:
3. to express a strong advice:
4. absence of obligation:
5. to express obligation:
6. to give advice:
7. to express necessity:
8. to express prohibition:
9. To express probability:

II. CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD OR PHRASE TO COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES.

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| 1. We are not completely sure but Cindy _____ come back tomorrow.
a. needn't b. may c. ought | 6. _____ I use your mobile phone? It's an emergency.
a. Must b. May c. Won't |
| 2. _____ I have some more wine, please?
a. Could b. Needn't c. Would | 7. In many schools of England students _____ wear uniforms. It is compulsory.
a. should b. must c. may |
| 3. I _____ believe my eyes. Is George the one who is standing over there?
a. won't b. mustn't c. can't | 8. Sara's daughter _____ write perfectly when she was seven.
a. might b. could c. mustn't |
| 4. He _____ have studied more for the final exam and spend less time playing with the computer.
a. would b. should c. have to | 9. I _____ let you know when I have more information about the matter.
a. would b. will c. can't |
| 5. My bedroom _____ redecorating. I'm tired of the old furniture.
a. has to b. may c. needs | 10. The worst _____ have happened, but fortunately everybody came back safe and sound.
a. ought to b. might c. can't |

Complete the sentences with a suitable modal verb. Use *must, don't have to, might, should, mustn't, shouldn't*

1. You _____ drive on the pavement. It's illegal.
2. You _____ say that. It's not nice.
3. I _____ go to work tomorrow because it's a public holiday.
4. I _____ buy this CD, but I'm not sure.
5. He's not here. He _____ gone out.
6. She didn't study enough. She _____ passed her exam.
7. You _____ eat more vegetables. They're good for you.
8. You _____ be 18 before you can buy alcohol.