

QUICK CHECK 3 MODULE 9 Modal verbs

VERB	USE	EXAMPLE	UNIT
<i>can/can't</i>	present ability	<i>I can speak Spanish well.</i>	61.2
	present possibility	<i>You can get cheap tickets on the Internet.</i>	61.2
	arrangement	<i>The doctor can see you tomorrow.</i>	61.2
	not allowed	<i>We can't wear jeans in the office.</i>	61.2
	permission	<i>Can we borrow the car this evening? I'm sorry, you can't. I need it.</i>	63.1
<i>can</i>	request	<i>Can you help me with these bags?</i>	63.2
<i>can't be</i>	almost certain	<i>That can't be Ed in the café – he's at school at the moment.</i>	68.2
<i>could/couldn't</i>	past ability	<i>Mozart could write beautiful music.</i>	62.1
	past possibility	<i>Children could play in the streets years ago.</i>	62.1
	permission	<i>Could I use your bathroom, please?</i>	63.1
	request	<i>Could you open the window, please?</i>	63.2
<i>have to/don't have to</i>	necessary/ not necessary	<i>I have to get up early tomorrow to catch the train.</i>	64.2
	necessary in the present	<i>You don't have to get a licence to ride a bicycle.</i>	64.3
<i>had to/didn't have to</i>	necessary/ not necessary	<i>They had to get visas when they went to South America.</i>	66.1
	necessary/ not necessary in the past	<i>We didn't have to show our passports.</i>	66.1
<i>may/may not</i>	permission	<i>You may start writing now.</i>	63.1
	not allowed	<i>Students may not take coats or bags with them into the exam.</i>	63.1
	not certain	<i>Mr Clement may be with a client. The order may not arrive next week.</i>	68.1
<i>might/might not</i>	not certain	<i>I might work in my uncle's shop during the holidays. The parcel might not arrive tomorrow.</i>	68.1
<i>must/must not</i>	instructions, signs and notices	<i>Passengers must wear seat belts. Visitors must not smoke in reception.</i>	65.1 65.2
	(really) <i>must</i>	recommending something	<i>You really must try this salad – it's delicious!</i>
<i>must be</i>	almost certain	<i>They must be out – there are no lights on in the house.</i>	68.2
<i>need to/don't need to</i>	necessary/ not necessary	<i>I need to earn some more money. We don't need to take our jackets – it's warm outside.</i>	64.2 64.3