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Practicing Modal Verbs Worksheet

A modal verb is a type of auxiliary verb that is used to indicate modality- that is likelihood, ability, permission, and obligation.

Modal verbs include: **can / could, may / might, must, will / would, and shall / should.**

Directions: Circle the modal verb in each sentence given below.

Example A: I could find out my test score next week.

Answer: could

1. He can speak Chinese.
2. They might not come to the party.
3. I can speak a little Russian.
4. You should stop smoking because it is bad for you.
5. May I sit down now?
6. I can play basketball very well.
7. I must go now.
8. Can you help me lift the couch?

Directions: Write a sentence with each modal verb given below.

9. would-

10. must-

11. may-

12. should-

Answers:

1. can
2. Might
3. Can
4. Should
5. May
6. Can
7. Must
8. Can

9-12: Answers may vary