



MODAL VERBS

Modal verbs go before other verbs.

can could would will shall
must should might may

I **should** learn a great deal this lesson.

Modal verbs are used for showing:

a) Whether someone is able to do something:

Fred **can** speak Spanish fluently.

b) How likely something is:

Janet is eating black pudding. She **must** be very hungry.

c) Advice

You **should** finish reading your book by Monday.

d) Permission

"**May** I go to the toilet in the middle of this exciting literacy lesson?"

"No!"

e) What someone usually does.

Boys **will** be boys.