



# INGLÊS

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Modal Verbs

# MODAL VERBS

Os modais são verbos auxiliares que, combinados com outros verbos, formam locuções verbais com uma gama variada de funções.

*Joseph COULD speak French when he was at junior high school.*

*Emily, MAY I open your fridge and get some water?*

*Timothy SHOULD eat less fat.*

*It MIGHT rain tonight.*

## CAN

- ▶ Ability
- ▶ Permission
- ▶ Request
- ▶ Possibility
- ▶ Prohibition

## COULD

- ▶ Ability
- ▶ Permission
- ▶ Request
- ▶ Possibility
- ▶ Prohibition

## MAY

- ▶ Wish
- ▶ Permission
- ▶ Possibility
- ▶ Prohibition

## MIGHT

- ▶ Possibility

## WILL

- ▶ Request
- ▶ Offer
- ▶ Promise
- ▶ Future Possibility
- ▶ Prohibition

## SHALL

- ▶ Suggestion
- ▶ Invitation
- ▶ Future Possibility

## WOULD

- ▶ Request
- ▶ Future past

## SHOULD

- ▶ Possibility
- ▶ Advice

## OUGHT TO

- ▶ Possibility
- ▶ Advice

## HAD BETTER

- ▶ Advice

## MUST/ HAVE TO

- ▶ Obligation
- ▶ Lack of necessity
- ▶ Possibility

## MODAL EXPRESSIONS

- ▶ BE ALLOWED TO
- ▶ BE ABLE TO
- ▶ WOULD RATHER



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**✓ Exercises**

**1.** Shopaholics could be sexually frustrated, might suffer from lack of self-esteem, or they may just have a neurotic reaction to television commercials and glossy advertisements.

– The modals **COULD**, **MIGHT** and **MAY** appear in the text to express the idea of:

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|-----------------|-----------------|
| a) permission.  | d) prohibition. |
| b) possibility. | e) ability.     |
| c) intention.   |                 |

**2.** Sir, \_\_\_\_\_ you do me a real favor, please?

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|----------|-----------|
| a) may   | d) ought  |
| b) could | e) should |
| c) can   |           |

**3.** This place is not good. \_\_\_\_\_ we go elsewhere?

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|-------------|----------|
| a) Will     | d) Shall |
| b) Will not | e) Let's |
| c) Ought    |          |

**4.** Look how wet the ground is. It \_\_\_\_\_ last night.

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|--------------------------|-------------------|
| a) might be sunny        | d) may be snowing |
| b) must have rained      | e) ought to dry   |
| c) should have been warm |                   |

**5.** A: "How come Bob argued with the waiter? He is always very polite and relaxed."

B: "The food \_\_\_\_\_ awful."

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| a) had better be    | d) could have been |
| b) should have been | e) ought to be     |
| c) can be           |                    |

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*Estamos juntos nessa!*



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