



**TENTH GRADE**  
**ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE**  
**GUIDE #5 FOR QUARANTINE**

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**INSTRUCTION: Use your dictionary**

**TOPIC: AUXILIARY VERBS**

A modal is a type of **auxiliary (helping) verb** that is used to express: ability, possibility, permission or obligation. Modal phrases (or semi-modals) are used to express the same things as modals, but are a combination of auxiliary verbs and the preposition to. The modals and semi-modals in English are:

1. Can/could/be able to
2. May/might
3. Shall/should
4. Must/have to
5. Will/would

We are going to start with can and could:

- 1) Can is used to express a variety of ideas in English:

**Ability and lack of ability.**

Example of ability (CAN): I can speak English very well  
I can sing that song.

The negative of Can is: Can not, Cannot

The contraction is: Can't = can not or cannot

Interrogative: Can I sing this song?

Short answer: positive: Yes, you can

or in negative: No, I can't

**when we talk about what is possible or impossible:**

example: Can you start work in May? (=Is it possible for you to start in May?)

2) Could: We use **could** to show that something is **possible**, but not certain

Examples:

*They **could come** by car.* (= Maybe they will come by car.)

*They **could be** at home.* (= Maybe they are at home.)

Negative of could: could not

Contraction: couldn't

Interrogative: could you close the door?

Could Nelson help me to cook?

Yes/no question: Yes, he could or No, he couldn't

Task: Make sentences of CAN and COULD in positive, negative, question and yes/no question. In total you have to do 80 sentences (40 for can and 40 for could)  
Any questions in Whatsapp.