

# MODALS & MODAL PERFECTS

Un verbo modal es aquel que se usa en combinación con un verbo principal para expresar obligación, prohibición, capacidad o habilidad para realizar alguna tarea, para hacer recomendaciones, etc.

Ej: Ralph can speak three languages.

You know you shouldn't smoke, so why do you do it?

## ¡¡¡ATENCIÓN!!! (errores más frecuentes)

1. No se indica la tercera persona del singular del presente simple, excepto los verbos "have to" y "be able to".  
Ej: That man can speak 4 languages. ✓ That man can speak~~S~~ four languages. ✗
2. Todos van seguidos de un verbo en infinitivo sin "to", excepto "ought to", "have to", "be able to" y "used to".  
Ej: They must have a lot of money, they are always buying things. ✓ They must ~~to~~ have a lot of money, they are always buying things. ✗
3. Como no necesitan verbo auxiliar, construyen la interrogativa invirtiendo el orden del sujeto y el verbo, y la negativa añadiendo "not".
4. Nunca uses "do, does, o did" en las preguntas en las que ya estén otros verbos modales como "can, must, etc..
5. Presta atención a como se deletrea **M U S T N ' T** >> La "T" en rojo se suele olvidar.
6. Son verbos incompletos, es decir, les faltan tiempos verbales. Al faltarles tiempos, utilizan otros verbos para completar su conjugación.
  - Se utiliza "be able to" para expresar "can" en cualquier tiempo.  
Ej: Presente > He can speak 4 languages.  
Pasado > When he was 3 he was able to speak 4 languages.
  - Se utiliza "have to" para expresar "must" (obligación) en cualquier tiempo.  
Ej: Presente > We must turn off our mobile phones in the school every day.  
Futuro > We will have to turn off our mobile phones in the tomorrow FCE exam.

# USES MODALS & MODAL PERFECTS

	USES	PRESENT	PAST	USES
OBLIGATIONS	Obligation is imposed on us by others	<b>HAVE TO</b> <b>DON'T HAVE TO</b>	<b>HAD TO / DIDN'T HAVE TO</b>	Things were (not) obligatory or necessary
	Obligation come from ourselves	<b>MUST</b>		
NECESSITIES	General use	<b>NEED TO</b> <b>DON'T NEED TO have</b> <b>NEEDN'T carry</b>	<b>NEEDED TO</b> <b>DIDN'T NEED TO</b> <b>NEEDN'T HAVE + PAST PARTICIPLE</b>	Things weren't obligatory BUT we did them
PROHIBITIONS		<b>MUSTN'T</b>	<b>WAS / WERE ALLOWED</b> <b>WASN'T / WEREN'T ALLOWED</b>	Things that were prohibited
THINGS THAT ARE PROHIBITED		<b>ARE/AREN'T ALLOWED TO</b>		
REFUSE PERMISSION		<b>CAN'T</b>	<b>COULDN'T</b>	Things prohibited or not possible
ADVISE RECOMMENDATION	General use	<b>SHOULD</b> <b>SHOULDN'T</b> <b>OUGHT TO</b>	<b>SHOULD/OUGHT TO HAVE + PAST PARTICIPLE</b> <b>SHOULDN'T HAVE – P.P.</b>	To criticise past actions or to regret about sth.
SPECULATION DEDUCTION	90% CERTAINTY STH HAPPENS	<b>MUST</b>	<b>MUST HAVE + P.P.</b>	90% CERTAINTY STH HAPPENS
	50% POSSIBILITIES STH HAPPENS	<b>MAY (NOT)</b> <b>MIGHT(N'T)</b> <b>COULD</b>	<b>MAY (NOT) HAVE + P.P.</b> <b>MIGHT(N'T) HAVE + P.P.</b> <b>COULD HAVE + P.P.</b>	50% POSSIBILITIES STH HAPPENS
	90% CERTAINTY STH IS IMPOSSIBLE TO HAPPEN	<b>CAN'T</b>	<b>COULDN'T HAVE + P.P.</b>	90% CERTAINTY STH IS IMPOSSIBLE TO HAPPEN
ABILITY		<b>CAN / BE ABLE TO</b>	<b>COULD HAVE // WAS / WERE BE ABLE TO</b>	Ability to have done sth but in fact did not.