

Modal Auxiliary Verbs Exercise

Fill in the blanks with an appropriate modal auxiliary verb.

1. you work this sum?

Can

Will

May

2. I lift this box.

cannot

may not

shall not

3. He be at home now.

can

may

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Either could be used here

4. it be a dog?

May

Will

Can

5. No. It be a tiger.

may not

cannot

will not

6. I run miles when I was young.

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could

might

can

7. He said that I go home.

could

might

Either could be used here

8. You not enter my house again.

shall

would

could

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9. I not permit this.

would

will

10. She sit for hours
listening to the radio.

shall

will

may

11. you lend me your pen?

Will

Shall

Should

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12. She said she buy me drinks.

will

would

shall

Answers

1. Can you work this sum?
2. I cannot lift this box.
3. He may be at home now.
4. Can it be a dog?
5. No. It cannot be a tiger.
6. I could run miles when I was young.
7. He said that I could / might go home.
8. You shall not enter my house again.
9. I will not permit this.

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10. She will sit for hours listening to the radio.

11. Will you lend me your pen?

12. She said she would buy me drinks.