

Modal auxiliary verbs exercise

Complete the following sentences using an appropriate modal auxiliary verb.

1. The police warned the mob that they
..... start firing, if they created trouble.

will

would

could

2. Passengers not smoke on the
bus.

must

can

need

3. I have a word with you?

Can

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Will

Should

4. Parents accompany their children to the school.

cannot

could not

might not

5. There was a time when I read till midnight, but these days I go to bed early.

should

ought to

used to

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6. You not tell me. I know everything.

can

must

need

7. I have promised to keep this secret. I disclose it to anyone.

cannot

need not

might not

8. I tell you what happened?

Shall

Will

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Would

9. How long you take to complete this job?

shall

will

can

Answers

1. The police warned the mob that they would start firing, if they created trouble.
2. Passengers must not smoke on the bus.
3. Can I have a word with you?
4. Parents cannot accompany their children to the school.
5. There was a time when I used to read till midnight, but these days I go to bed early.
6. You need not tell me. I know everything.
7. I have promised to keep this secret. I cannot disclose it to anyone.

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8. Shall I tell you what happened?

9. How long will you take to complete this job?