

## Modal Auxiliary Verbs Exercise

Fill in the blanks with appropriate modal auxiliary verbs.

1. My grandmother is eighty-five, but she  
..... still read and write without glasses.  
(Ability)

can

could

may

2. .... I come with you?

Can

Will

Would

3. .... you help me with the housework,  
please? (Polite request)

Could

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Will

Should

4. There was a time when I ..... stay up very late. (Past ability)

would

could

can

5. You ..... not lose any more weight. You are already slim. (Necessity)

may

need

should

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6. We ..... make the first move. (Prohibition)

must not

will not

cannot

7. It is snowing outside so I ..... stay at home. (Intention)

may

will

can

8. I ..... get you a shawl from Kashmir. (Promise)

will

would

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can

may

9. .... you mind if I borrowed your car?  
(Permission)

Will

Would

Should

10. .... you take care of my dog for a day?  
(Polite request)

Will

Shall

Should

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11. Our country ..... become a super power by 2025. (possibility)

may

might

will

should

12. She ..... sell her home because she needs money. (weak possibility)

may

might

could

## Answers

1. My grandmother is eighty-five, but she can still read and write without glasses.
2. Can I come with you?

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3. Could you help me with the housework, please?
4. There was a time when I could stay up very late.
5. You need not lose any more weight. You are already slim.
6. We must not make the first move.
7. It is snowing outside so I will stay at home.
8. I will get you a shawl from Kashmir.
9. Would you mind if I borrowed your car?
10. Will you take care of my dog for a day?
11. Our country may become a super power by 2025.
12. She might sell her home because she needs money.