

Modal verbs: can, could, must, should

פעלי עזר מודאליים: can, could, must, should
 الأفعال المساعدة: can, could, must, should

Summary: modal verbs for requests, rules and advice

סיכום: פעלים מודאליים לבקשות, לכללים ולעצות
 ملخص: الأفعال المساعدة للطلبات والقواعد والنصائح

What do they mean?

מה הם אומרים?
 ماذا تعني؟

Modal	Use	Example
can / could	requests, ability	Could you help me, please?
must	a rule, it is necessary	You must wear a seat belt.
mustn't	not allowed	You mustn't touch the paintings.
should / shouldn't	advice	You should study for the test.

The form

המבנה
 الصيغة

1. modal + base form: She must go.

פועל מודאלי + צורת בסיס: She must go.
 فعل مساعد + الصيغة الأساسية: She must go.

2. No -s: He can play. (Not: He cans play.)

בלי -s: He can play. (לא: He cans play.)
 بدون -s: He can play. (ולیس: He cans play.)

3. No to: You should rest. (Not: You should to rest.)

בלי to: You should rest. (לא: You should to rest.)
 بدون to: You should rest. (ולیس: You should to rest.)

Questions and answers

שאלות ותשובות
 أسئلة وأجوبة

Examples:

דוגמאות:
 أمثلة:

Can I come in? Yes, you can. / Sorry, you can't.

Should I take a coat? Yes, you should.

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 water מים ماء	 bag תיק حقيبة	 red אדום أحمر	 bed מיטה سرير	 phone טלפון هاتف	 hat כובע قبعة
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Remember! Modal verbs never change: I can, he can, they can. After them comes the base form, without to.

פעלים מודאליים אף פעם לא משתנים: I can, he can, they can. אחריהם בא הפועל בצורת הבסיס, בלי to.
 الأفعال المساعدة لا تتغيّر أبداً: I can, he can, they can. بعدها يأتي الفعل في صيغته الأساسية، بدون to.

 **Worked example:** Library rule: no food. You ____ eat in the library.

1. «No food» means it is not allowed.
2. Not allowed = mustn't.

Answer: mustn't

 **Check yourself – Complete with can, could, must, mustn't, should or shouldn't.**

השלימו ב- should, could, must, mustn't, should או shouldn't.
أكمل بـ can أو could أو must أو mustn't أو should أو shouldn't.

- a. _____ I use your phone? Mine is broken.
- b. Pupils _____ bring their notebooks to class. It's a rule.
- c. You have a toothache. You _____ go to the dentist.
- d. You _____ swim when there is no lifeguard.

Self-check answers: a. Can · b. must · c. should · d. mustn't