

Mastering Modal Verbs with Max the Monkey

Max's Modal Magic: Tweak your sentences to show exactly what you mean!

- **Modal verbs are special auxiliary verbs that express how likely something is to happen, such as: can, could, may, might, must, shall, should, will, and would.**
- **Use 'can' or 'could' to show ability or possibility. For example: 'Max can solve the puzzle' or 'I could finish my book later.'**
- **Use 'must' or 'shall' to show a strong obligation or a strict requirement. For example: 'You must arrive on time for the lesson.'**
- **Use 'might' or 'may' when you are unsure if something will happen. For example: 'It might rain during our picnic today.'**
- **Use 'will' or 'would' to show a firm intention or a future action. For example: 'We will visit the library on Friday.'**
- **Remember: Modal verbs never change their form! You do not add an -s, -ed, or -ing to them, no matter who the subject is.**

Did you know? Did you know? Modal verbs are like 'colouring pencils' for your sentences! Just as you choose a specific colour to change the mood of an art piece, you can choose a different modal verb to change the meaning of your sentence from something that might happen to something that definitely must happen.

Key vocabulary: Modal verb · Possibility · Certainty · Obligation · Ability · Auxiliary