

Exercices sur les modaux en anglais

Rappel: les modaux en anglais sont:

- au présent: can, may, must, will, shall
- au prétérit: could, might, must, would, should

Exercice 1

Trouvez le verbe modal qui convient (il peut être à la forme négative):

- 1.It's a hospital. You _____ smoke.
- 2.He had been working for more than 11 hours. He _____ be tired after such hard work. He _____ prefer to get some rest.
- 3.My mum said we _____ eat this pizza if we want to. But we _____ leave it if we don't want to.
4. _____ you stand on your hands for more than a minute? No, I _____ .
- 5.If you want to learn to speak English fluently, you _____ to work hard.
- 6.Take an umbrella. It _____ rain later.
- 7.People _____ walk on the grass.
- 8.Drivers _____ stop when the traffic lights are red.
9. _____ I ask a question? Yes, of course.
10. _____ you speak Italian? No, I _____ .

Exercice 2

Choisissez la bonne réponse:

1. I didn't feel very well yesterday. I _____ eat anything.
cannot / couldn't / mustn't
2. You _____ look at me when I am talking to you.
could / should / would
3. I was using my phone a minute ago. It _____ be here somewhere!
can / could / must / would
4. You really _____ be late again.
must not / don't have to
5. If you don't start working harder, you _____ repeat the course next year.
have to / must / will have to
6. He's always _____ to do whatever he wants by his parents.
been able / been allowed
7. Call her now. She _____ home by now.
has to be / must be / would be
8. You _____ forget your sunglasses. It's going to be very sunny outside!
don't have to / mustn't / needn't
9. I _____ be able to take you to the airport, but I'm not sure yet.
might / would
10. We _____ pay to get in the museum, it was free.
needn't / didn't need to
11. You _____ have to learn spanish to get this job.

could / may / should / would
12. Bags _____ not be left unattended.
can / must / may

13. I really try to get fit.
may / must / would

14. take a picture of you?
May I / Am I allowed to

15. Customers rent 3 DVD's at any time.
are allowed to / could

16. Whose is this bag? – I don't know, but it belong to Linda.
could / may / should / would

17. I go to the bathroom, please?
May / Must / Would

18. His excuse be true, but I don't believe.
can / may

19. It's very important to speak more than one language.
can / be able to

20. I don't like get up early on a Sunday.
being able to / being allowed to / having to

Correction exercise 1

1. mustn't
2. must / may
3. can / can
4. Can / can't
5. need
6. might
7. mustn't
8. must
9. May
10. Can / can't

Correction exercise 2

1. couldn't
2. should
3. must
4. must not
5. will have to
6. been allowed
7. must be
8. mustn't
9. might
10. didn't need to
11. may
12. must
13. must
14. May I
15. are allowed to
16. may
17. May
18. may
19. be able to

20.having to