

Modal verbs

VERB	USE	VERB	USE
<i>must</i>	To express obligation and deduction in the present	<i>don't need to/ didn't need to</i>	To express lack of necessity in the present and past
<i>may (not), might (not), could</i>	To express possibility in the present	<i>have to/ had to</i>	To express obligation in the present and past
<i>can't</i>	To express impossibility in the present	<i>don't have to/ didn't have to</i>	To express lack of obligation in the present and past
<i>mustn't</i>	To express prohibition in the present	<i>should/shouldn't/ ought to</i>	To give advice in the present
<i>need to/needed to</i>	To express necessity in the present and past		