

## Modals Worksheet

Modal verbs have various functions, some essential ones of which are listed below.  
Reading the sample sentences, classify the underlined modals according to their functions:

possibility certainty deduction	: : :
obligation permission necessity lack of obligation	: : : :
advice expectation preference	: : :
requests offers & invitations	: :
habitual past actions ability typical behaviour	: : :

1. You should bring some warm clothing. It may snow while we're up there.
2. You had better not turn down his proposal.
3. Harry would do a thing like that! I've known him for years.
4. He would sometimes get out of control, don't you remember?
5. Ben has studied enough, so he should pass the advanced driving test tomorrow.
6. Could you tell me the time?
7. I would rather lick an ashtray than kiss a smoker.
8. You mustn't forget to post the letters or the boss will surely go crazy.
9. I needn't get the drinks ready because we might not have the party tomorrow.
10. No one but Tom was able to swim across the lake.
11. What's that noise? Could it be a cat on the roof?
12. At one time people used to walk long distances on foot but now we need to take a taxi or something when we have to travel even the shortest distances.
13. My brother could play the violin with expert skill when he was a child.
14. Will you please try not to raise your voice? The baby is asleep.
15. She must be out of the town at the moment. No one has seen her nowadays.
16. Would you like to spend the night in my flat?
17. You must watch every step of yours while crossing a mine field.
18. We don't need to be told what's to be done.