

MODAL VERBS

can	<u>be* able to</u>	+ base form	können
may	<u>be* allowed to</u>	+ base form	dürfen
must	<u>have** to</u>	+ base form	müssen
mustn't	nicht dürfen	(nur in Present Tense)	
needn't	nicht müssen	(nur in Present Tense)	
* be:	Present: am/is/are	am not/isn't/aren't	
	Past: was/were	wasn't/weren't	
	Pr.Perf: have /has been	haven't/hasn't been	
	Future: will be	won't be	
**have:	have/has	don't/doesn't have	
	had	didn't have	
	have/has had	haven't/hasn't had	
	will have	won't have	

I) Put the sentences into Present/Past/Present Perfect: (___/10)

1. Tanya must work a lot in the office.
2. The children can buy a pizza in the snack bar.
3. You may close the window any time.
4. She can't speak Chinese very well.
5. Lisa may not sleep at her boyfriend's place.
6. You needn't help me with the homework.
7. Alex mustn't read this letter.
8. Why can he sing so well?
9. When must they bring the money?
10. May I ask you a simple question?

II) Fill in the correct form of the modal verbs: (___/10)

- 1) Normally the boys (must) _____ go to bed at 9 pm.
- 2) (can you) _____ swim fast since you had your accident?
- 3) Last week, I (may) _____ visit my best friend.
- 4) Tomorrow, we (must) _____ bring a cake and cookies to school.
- 5) I was late; I (must) _____ run to the train.
- 6) Alexia (not can) _____ write her text yet. She hasn't had time.
- 7) When the girls finished their homework, they (may) _____ play.
- 8) I (not can) _____ understand Japanese.
- 9) Maybe we (may) _____ go to the bar next weekend.
- 10) I am sure that we (must) _____ be home early tomorrow.

III) Change the sentences using modal verbs (watch out for tenses!): (___/10)

1. Penguins swim very well. (können)
2. The pilot landed the airplane in the storm. (müssen)
3. She won't pass the test if she doesn't learn. (können)
4. Lizzy and Candice have gone out with their neighbors. (dürfen)
5. Al Bundy watched the football game. (nicht dürfen)
6. Tony doesn't write a text. (müssen, 2 Mögl.)
7. Have you seen the film already? (können)
8. Ken goes on holiday with his best friend. (nicht dürfen)
9. Did she chat all night long? (dürfen)
10. Did you unlock the door? (müssen)