

EXERCISES FOR MODAL VERBS: OBLIGATION AND PERMISSION

1. Choose one MODAL VERB and complete the sentences.

- Students usually (must/should) _____ revise before exams.
- (May/Needn't) _____ I go to the toilets, please?
- My friends' parents (not let/must not) _____ them go out during the week.
- (Should/Can) _____ she pay more attention in class?
- I (allow/must) _____ you to go out earlier today from class.

2. Order the words to make correct sentences.

- Smoking / allow / teachers / class / not / do / in.
- House / may / my / he / to / come?
- You / three / exercise / number / needn't / do.
- Here / right / must / you / for / we / wait?
- The / I / because / disturb / talk / let / you / don't / you / class.

3. Use the OBLIGATION verbs and write sentences with your personal obligations. Try to give reasons for your answers, please.

- Throw rubbish away
- Study every day
- Do extra activities outside school
- Insult people
- Do the washing up
- Go back home late

4. Use the PERMISSION verbs and make questions about the following situations.

- Do an exercise in class
- Call up a friend
- Use a mobile phone in class
- Get some money from your parents
- Go over your exam

5. Think of three more situations for exercise number three and exercise number four.

6. Translate into English.

- La gente no debería maltratar a los animales.
- “¿Deben ellos hacer todos esos problemas en matemáticas?” “Sí.”
- Mis padres no nos permiten dejar comida en el plato.
- Alguien tiene que contestar estas preguntas.
- ¿Nos dejas llamar a nuestros amigos para una fiesta?