AHS English

ABILITY – saber, poder

Can Can't / Cannot

- Lidia can paint beautiful landscapes. She could paint them when she was 5 years old.
- I can't do it because I'm not patient enough.
- Could Couldn't
- Could you tell jokes when you were a kid? No I couldn't I was very shy.

Can / Could

Can't / Couldn't + SENSES (see, smell, hear, feel, taste, touch)

- I can feel free at the top of the mountain
- Can you see that? I can hear it from the distance

BE ABLE TO – poder, ser capaz de

Sometimes on Saturday night, Javi is not able to find his way home

*Future tense: Will can ☺ Will be able to ☺

By the end of the course, **ALL** the students in my class **will be able to have** an excellent conversation in English

Possibility about the present or future Puede que.../podría...

May May not Might Mightn't Could / Couldn't

- I may come and visit you next summer
- We **might be** in the same English course, I met him in my
- We should stay here for now because it could snow stronger later
- They look tired, they **may not come** to class today
- Don't cook any dinner for me, I might not be back in time
- Could you provide an example in English that contains at least 5 modal verbs?



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Should / Shouldn't Ought to (less frequent) They are in a row... should we go now? The right thing to do... We should / ought to do the housework instead of watching the movie now She should / ought to write her own answers instead of copying them from her partner.

OBLIGATION	PROHIBITION
 Must* – deber Are you crazy? You must stop here! You must hand in your reports on Monday You must be careful if you stay out late at night Must we stop writing now? 	 Mustn't – no deber You mustn't go in there – it says 'No entry'! You mustn't speak in the library – it's forbidden You mustn't use your mobile phone in class
 Have to - tener que (less strong than Must) I have to finish my homework for Monday I have to speak with him before he goes 	Don't /Doesn't have to - no tener que ■ You don't have to use your phone to call Eli, she is over here.

*You never use must in past tense: Musted 🕾

Be allowed to ©

We weren't allowed to speak during the B1 test but we were allowed to ask questions before the exam.