

# Modal verbs and possibility

## Remember

**Modal verbs** are used with other **verbs** to show different levels of possibility. They can make statements sound certain or more like a possibility.

Today **will** be a good day. (certain)

This afternoon I **could** go swimming. (possible)

## Try it

- 1 Underline the **modal verb** in each sentence. Write whether the modal verb makes it sound **certain** or **possible**.

We can get to the top of this mountain. \_\_\_\_\_

This bridge could collapse at any moment. \_\_\_\_\_

We must take some sun cream to the beach. \_\_\_\_\_

There may be a storm overnight. \_\_\_\_\_

The hero might save the villagers from the fearsome ogre. \_\_\_\_\_

You will love the new track from this popular band. \_\_\_\_\_



- 2 Rewrite each sentence using a different **modal verb** to change the meaning.

He can finish the race. \_\_\_\_\_

We should raise enough money. \_\_\_\_\_

You could ask an adult to help you. \_\_\_\_\_

I might have cereal for breakfast. \_\_\_\_\_

Sophie might swim 50 metres. \_\_\_\_\_

I must throw a six this time. \_\_\_\_\_

## Sentence practice

Write three sentences about the future, using **modal verbs** to show different levels of possibility.

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