

LES MODAUX ET LEURS EQUIVALENTS

Capacité / incapacité	● Can est l'équivalent de « je peux » (ou parfois « je sais ») :	<i>Can I help you?</i> Je peux vous aider ? <i>Can you swim?</i> Tu sais nager ?
Obligation	● Must « Je dois... » = « Il faut que je... »	<i>You must give up smoking!</i> Tu dois arrêter / Il faut que tu arrêtes de fumer !
Interdiction	● Mustn't	<i>You mustn't park here.</i> Tu ne dois pas te garer ici.
Permission	● May / May not ou can et can't (langage courant)	<i>May / Can I take this chair, please?</i> (<i>May</i> = style plutôt formel) Puis-je / Je peux prendre cette chaise, s'il vous plaît ?
Conseil / suggestion	● Should / Shouldn't « Je devrais... » = « Il faudrait que je... » (conseil, etc.)	<i>You should be careful.</i> Tu devrais faire attention.

JE VÉRIFIE QUE J'AI COMPRIS

Barre la ou les réponse(s) fausse(s).

- Pour exprimer la capacité, j'utilise *be able to / must / have to / can*.
- Pour exprimer la permission, j'utilise *may / have to / could / can / must*.
- Pour exprimer l'obligation, j'utilise *must / have to / be able to / may*.
- Pour exprimer l'interdiction, j'utilise *have to / must not / could / may / be able to*.

- Pour exprimer la capacité dans le passé, j'utilise *had to / was able to / could / will be able to / must / may*.
- Pour exprimer la capacité dans le futur, j'utilise *will be able to / may / will have to / must not*.
- Pour exprimer l'obligation dans le passé, j'utilise *must / had to / was able to / may*.
- Pour exprimer l'obligation dans le futur, j'utilise *will be able to / had to / will have to*.

★ 1 Indique quelle notion est exprimée dans chaque phrase : capacité (C), permission (P), obligation (O) ou interdiction (I).

- She can act very well. →
- The producers had to ask the permission of the former president's family. →
- Soon, we will be able to see the new biopic about the painter. →
- You may go out tonight, but you mustn't come back late. → -
- Actors must concentrate to make all the details of their characters true to life. →
- Do you think this actress could act so sincerely when she was a kid? →

Capacité

Be able to peut remplacer **can** *She should be able to solve the problem.* Elle **devrait** pouvoir (= être capable de) résoudre le problème.

Obligation

Have to peut remplacer **must** *He has to leave early for work.* Il **doit** partir tôt pour son travail.
They'll have to be patient. Ils **devront** être patients.

Permission / autorisation

Be allowed to peut remplacer **can** *He was allowed to leave.* Il **a pu** (= a été autorisé à) partir.

Interdiction

Be forbidden to peut remplacer **mustn't / can't** *It's forbidden to park here.* Il **est interdit** de se garer ici.

★ 2 Remets les mots dans l'ordre pour former des phrases correctes.

- a living person / ask permission / a film / Filmmakers / have to / to make / about
→
- was not able to / her biopic / her opinion on / Winnie Mandela / give
→
- believe / mustn't / everything / is / Audiences / in a biopic / true
→
- will have to / Actors / change / this historical biopic / in / their appearance
→
- playing / Natalie Portman / before / had to / Jackie Kennedy / do research
→

★ 3 Complète les phrases à l'aide de **must, can, may** ou leurs équivalents à la forme adéquate.

- Katherine has been hired as a composer for a film. She write the music for it.
- Despite many problems, the director finish the film in time.
- You come back late if you warn me.
- Andrew is an actor playing a Saxon king in a biopic. He learn Old English.
- I get bored easily. I watch a long film in one go. (négatif)
- I'm going to be an extra in an episode of a new biopic series: if you want, you be one too!