

St. Paul's Convent School, Primary Section
English Supplementary Exercise (2019-2020) 2nd term
English Grammar Ex. 1

Answers

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Modal Verbs – Should

<p>Modal verbs are a special kind of auxiliary (helping) verbs. They are always used with base verbs.</p>		
<p>‘Should’ is most commonly used to make <u>recommendations</u>, <u>advice</u>, <u>express obligations</u>, and <u>expectations</u>.</p>		
<p>We use ‘SHOULD’ to talk about what is right to do or to give advice.</p>		
<p>We use ‘SHOULD NOT / SHOULDN’T’ to tell people not to do something.</p>		
e.g.	When you go to Berlin, you should visit the palaces in Potsdam.	<u>e.g. recommendation</u>
1.	You should focus more on your homework and less on computer games.	1. _____ advice
2.	I should really be in the office by 7:00 a.m.	2. _____ obligation
3.	By now, they should already be in Dubai.	3. _____ expectation
4.	You should not eat too much junk food.	4. _____ advice

A. What is the modal verb ‘should’ used for in these sentences? Fill in the blanks to indicate the usage of ‘should’.

advice	recommendation	expectation	obligation
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1. My teacher said that I should stay focused during lessons.	1. _____ advice
2. The boss should return in half an hour, so come back later.	2. _____ expectation
3. You should visit Fiji. It is a very wonderful place!	3. _____ recommendation
4. I should tell my mum the truth that I broke the vase.	4. _____ obligation

B. Fill in the blanks with ‘should’ or ‘should not’.

Michelle wants to be a figure skater. Her sister suggested that she talk to Jennifer, a figure skating coach. Jennifer told Michelle that to be a figure skater, she 1) should start by taking good care of her health. She 2) should go to bed early in order to have enough sleep. She 3) should not stay up late. Also, she 4) should have a balanced diet to obtain all the nutrients that she needs. She 5) should not eat any junk food. Moreover, she 6) should not eat too much sweet food or drinks because she could put on weight easily. Of course, consistent physical exercise is a must.

C. Fill in the blanks with ‘must’, ‘must not’, ‘should’, ‘should not’, ‘can’ or ‘cannot’.

1. You must not/should not shout in the library or else the others will be disturbed.
2. Jose is a translator because he can speak different languages.
3. “It’s getting dark. I guess we should go home now,” said Harry.
4. I cannot understand you when you speak too quickly.
5. There is only one flight to Boston today. We must arrive at the airport before 2 p.m. so that we can get on board.
6. The dietitian said I should eat more vegetables and fruits to stay healthy.

D. Underline the mistakes in the following sentences and write the correct words in the blanks.

Schools establish rules to promote good student behaviours and attitude.	
In our school, students <u>can</u> wear uniform to school every day.	1. <u>must / should</u>
They <u>shouldn’t</u> hand in their homework on time. At recess, students	2. <u>should</u>
can play in the open and covered playgrounds. However, they <u>can</u> eat	3. <u>cannot</u>
there. Instead, they can only eat in the eating zone. Students <u>should</u>	4. <u>should</u>
<u>not</u>	
follow these rules in order to maintain a safe and happy learning	
environment.	

