



# Modal Verbs: SHOULD, COULD, WOULD – Practice Worksheet

Instructions: Complete the exercises using should, could, or would. Some sentences may have more than one possible answer, but choose the best one.

## Exercise 1 – Choose the correct modal verb

- 1) You look tired. You \_\_\_\_\_ go to bed earlier.
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ you help me with this email, please?
- 3) When we were children, we \_\_\_\_\_ play in the street until dark.
- 4) If I had more time, I \_\_\_\_\_ learn Spanish.
- 5) I \_\_\_\_\_ swim when I was five years old.
- 6) You \_\_\_\_\_ see a doctor if the pain doesn't stop.
- 7) \_\_\_\_\_ I open the window? It's very hot in here.
- 8) We \_\_\_\_\_ go for a walk after dinner if the weather is nice.

## Exercise 2 – Rewrite the sentences using the word in brackets

- 1) It is a good idea for you to study more. (should)
- 2) Is it possible for you to help me tomorrow? (could)
- 3) When I was a student, I often stayed up late before exams. (would)
- 4) I want to have a cup of tea. (would like)
- 5) It is probably going to rain this afternoon. (should)
- 6) This is one possible solution. (could)

### Exercise 3 – Complete the sentences

- 1) If I won the lottery, I \_\_\_\_\_ buy a big house by the sea.
- 2) You're coughing a lot. You \_\_\_\_\_ stop smoking.
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ you mind closing the door, please?
- 4) We \_\_\_\_\_ meet for coffee tomorrow if you're free.
- 5) When we lived in the countryside, we \_\_\_\_\_ go for long walks every evening.
- 6) It's getting late. We \_\_\_\_\_ probably leave soon.

### Exercise 4 – Choose: advice, suggestion, polite request, habit in the past, or imaginary situation

- 1) You should drink more water. → \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Could you send me the file, please? → \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) We could watch a film tonight. → \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) When I was a child, I would visit my grandparents every weekend. →  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5) If I had more money, I would travel more. → \_\_\_\_\_

## **Answer Key**

Exercise 1:

1) should

2) could

3) would

4) would

5) could

6) should

7) could

8) could

### **Exercise 2 (sample answers):**

1) You should study more.

2) Could you help me tomorrow?

3) When I was a student, I would often stay up late before exams.

4) I would like to have a cup of tea.

5) It should rain this afternoon. / It should be rainy this afternoon.

6) This could be a solution.

### **Exercise 3:**

1) would

2) should

3) would / could

4) could

5) would

6) should

**Exercise 4:**

1) advice

2) polite request

3) suggestion

4) habit in the past

5) imaginary situation