



Unit 6: Gender Equality

Passive Voice with Modals

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01

Modal Verbs



Examples:

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Modal Verbs and their functions



can, could

ability



should, ought to

advice or duty



must

duty



can, could, may

permission



may, might,

can, could


possibility



can't, mustn't,

may not


prohibition



may, will,

would

request



02

Active Voice with Modals

Active Voice with Modals

Structure: S + modal verb + V-bare inf + O

Example: They may build a new bridge.





03

Passive Voice with Modals

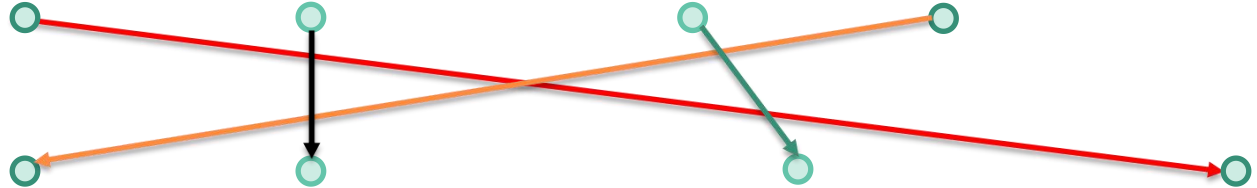
Passive Voice with Modals

- We use the ***passive voice*** when the ***agent*** of the action is ***not known*** or ***not important***.

Passive Voice with Modals

Active: S + modal verb + V-bare inf + O

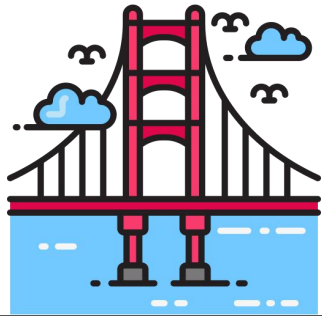
Passive: S + modal verb + be + past participle (+ by O)



Passive Voice with Modals

Active: They may build a new bridge.

Passive: A new bridge may be built.



Passive Voice with Modals

- If the **agent** is **known**, it can be indicated by a phrase beginning with **by**.

Example:

A new bridge may be built
by the local people.



Practice

*Remember to
complete the task.*