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## Grammar Exercise – Model Verbs

### Exercise 1

Fill in the blanks with “would”, “could”, “should” or “might”.

Helen: If you won the eight million dollar lottery, what \_\_\_\_\_ you do?

Fred: I \_\_\_\_\_ afford to travel around the world.

Helen: That sounds good. Where \_\_\_\_\_ you like to go then?

Fred: Um... I \_\_\_\_\_ go to London first, and then Paris... anyway, all around the world. Perhaps I \_\_\_\_\_ go to Africa and help the children.

Helen: To be honest, how often do you buy lottery tickets?

Fred: Almost every week. I guess if I want to win the lottery, I \_\_\_\_\_ try buying some more tickets.

Helen: Sure. That \_\_\_\_\_ help.

### Exercise 2

Fill in the blanks with “must”, “can” or “should”.

1. We \_\_\_\_\_ not try any drugs.

2. He \_\_\_\_\_ leave now to catch his bus.

3. We \_\_\_\_\_ drink eight glasses of water every day.

4. We \_\_\_\_\_ look around careful before crossing the road.

5. Victor \_\_\_\_\_ speak Cantonese, English and Putonghua.

6. She \_\_\_\_\_ pass the test or she will be held back.

7. You \_\_\_\_\_ be here by 10:00 a.m.

8. \_\_\_\_\_ I have some water?

9. You \_\_\_\_\_ take it if you want.

10. You \_\_\_\_\_ return the book to the library by tomorrow.

### Exercise 3

Fill in the blanks with “shall”, “will”, “should” or “would”.

1. He knew he \_\_\_\_\_ be late.
2. She decided that she \_\_\_\_\_ study music.
3. Nobody \_\_\_\_\_ enter the restricted area without a permit.
4. He \_\_\_\_\_ help me if he could.
5. The lift \_\_\_\_\_ break down very soon.
6. He asked if she \_\_\_\_\_ be there the next day.
7. “\_\_\_\_\_ I ever see them again?” he wondered.
8. “When \_\_\_\_\_ I know the result of the test?” she asked.
9. “When \_\_\_\_\_ you be in Hong Kong the next time?”
10. People who live in glass house \_\_\_\_\_ not throw stones.
11. He \_\_\_\_\_ send in accurate income tax returns.
12. \_\_\_\_\_ we go and see a film?
13. I \_\_\_\_\_ never forget you.
14. We \_\_\_\_\_ overcome the problem.
15. I \_\_\_\_\_ never give up.
16. You \_\_\_\_\_ start eating better.
17. You \_\_\_\_\_ be at work before 9:00.

## Exercise 4

Fill in the blanks with “can”, “may”, “could” or “might”.

1. John \_\_\_\_\_ be quite amusing.
2. The doctor fears that she \_\_\_\_\_ not live much longer.
3. If you invited him, he \_\_\_\_\_ come.
4. He said he \_\_\_\_\_ hire a car for the picnic.
5. I can't sing now, but I \_\_\_\_\_ when I was young.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ I leave it with you?
7. He \_\_\_\_\_ come or he may not.
8. I \_\_\_\_\_ see you easily from here.
9. What \_\_\_\_\_ the police do with me; I've done nothing wrong.
10. There is nothing to do, so I \_\_\_\_\_ as well go to bed.
11. This news is so strange that you \_\_\_\_\_ not believe it.
12. The teacher said we \_\_\_\_\_ go to the shops for sweets.
13. You \_\_\_\_\_ hardly blame him for doing that.
14. I'm listening hard so I \_\_\_\_\_ hear it.

## Exercise 5

Fill in the blanks with “must”, “mustn’t”, “may” or “may not”.

1. You \_\_\_\_\_ drink poison because it is dangerous.
2. We \_\_\_\_\_ keep quiet in the library.
3. You \_\_\_\_\_ spit onto the ground.
4. Handle this parcel with care because it \_\_\_\_\_ easily be broken.
5. You \_\_\_\_\_ work hard for your own future.
6. I \_\_\_\_\_ be a nurse when I grow up.
7. You \_\_\_\_\_ smoke here because smoking is prohibited.
8. I \_\_\_\_\_ go to the concert tonight because I have a headache now.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ I have a piece of chocolate cake, please?
10. There is no electricity in this small town. People \_\_\_\_\_ use coal.