MODAL VERBS SHALL & SHOULD



ENGLISH GRAMMAR

OUTLINE: SHALL and SHOULD

- 1. General characteristics of SHALL
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Step 1: Characteristics of SHALL

- 1. SHALL is used in the future tense.
 - I shall be faithful.
- 2. A verb stem always follows SHALL.
 - He <u>shall perform</u> this Saturday.
- 3. We do not add 'TO' after SHALL.
 - She <u>shall</u> to come tomorrow.
- 4. Additionally, SHALL is able to replace other auxiliary verbs.
 - When shall we go?

MODAL VERB (SHALL)

AFFIRMATIVE FORM (FULL FORM)							
I	I You He/She/It We You They						
shall							

NEGATIVE FORM (FULL AND SHORT FORMS)								
1	I You He/She/It We You They							
shall not								
shan't								

INTERROGATIVE FORM								
Shall								
I	you	he	she	it	we	you	they	
go?								



Step 2: Affirmative Form of SHALL(1)

- 1. SHALL is used to talk about the future. (FUTURE TENSE)
 - I <u>shall</u> come in October.
- 2. SHALL is used to **predict the future**.(VISION)
 - They <u>shall</u> perish.
- 3. SHALL is used for declaring intentions. (PLANS)
 - I shall do it no matter the cost.
- 4. SHALL is used to make commands. (ORDERS)
 - You shall have meals at 1 p.m.

Step 2: Affirmative Form of SHALL(2)

- 1. SHALL is used to express strong possibility in the future. (COMPLETED ACTION)
 - They <u>shall</u> have arrived by then.
- 2. SHALL is used to make solemn promises. (COMMITMENT)
 - I <u>shall</u> marry you.

Step 3: Negative Form of SHALL(1)

- 1. SHALL + NOT is used to talk about impossibility in the future. (UNLIKELIHOOD)
 - He shall not come in October.
- 2. SHALL + NOT is used to make predictions. (VISION)
 - They <u>shall not</u> perish.
- 3. SHALL + NOT is used for declaring intentions. (PLANS)
 - I shan't do it no matter the cost.
- 4. SHALL + NOT is used to express strong impossibility in the future perfect tense.
 - I shall not have finished my studies then.

(PROJECTION)

Step 3: Negative Form of SHALL(2)

- 1. SHALL + NOT is used to express commands and orders. (STRONG AUTHORITY)
 - Students shall not arrive late at school.
- 2. SHALL + NOT is used when refusing to do something in a formal way.
 - We <u>shall not</u> sign the contract. (DETERMINATION)

Step 4: Interrogative Form of SHALL

- 1. SHALL is used to make offers. (PROPOSAL)
 - Shall I escort you?
- 2. SHALL is used to **present an idea to someone**. (SUGGESTION)
 - Shall we use this way?
- 3. SHALL is used to ask for advice. (DIRECTION)
 - How <u>shall we</u> proceed?
- 4. SHALL is used to ask for information. (INTERROGATION)
 - Where <u>shall</u> the ceremony take place?

Step 5: Characteristics of SHOULD

- **1. SHOULD** is used as the past tense of SHALL.
 - He told me that we should be careful.
- 2. SHOULD is also used in second conditionals.
 - If I were you, I <u>should</u> call a policeman.
- 3. A verb stem always follows **SHOULD**.
 - He <u>should</u> <u>become</u> a singer.
- 4. We do not add 'TO' after SHOULD.
 - She <u>should</u> to be happy.
- 5. Other auxiliary verbs can be replaced by **SHOULD**.
 - Where <u>should</u> she go?

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Step 6: Affirmative Form of SHOULD(1)

- 1. SHOULD is used to give advice. (STRONG RECOMMENDATION)
 - You <u>should</u> eat less junk food.
- 2. SHOULD is used to express obligation. (DUTY)
 - We <u>should</u> be more respectful towards our educators.
- 3. SHOULD is used to express possibility in the future in first conditionals.

(HYPOTHESIS)

- If you should pass these exams, I will be very happy.
- 4. SHOULD is used to express probability in the fututre in second conditionals.
 - If they were rich, they <u>should</u> probably buy a house. (HYPOTHESIS)

Step 6: Affirmative Form of SHOULD(2)

- 1. SHOULD is used in reported speech. (INDIRECT SPEECH)
 - He said (that) he <u>should</u> come in October.
 - You mentioned that the state president <u>should</u> visit us today.

Step 7: Negative Form of SHOULD

- 1. SHOULD + NOT is used to offer advice. (STRONG RECOMMENDATION)
 - You <u>shouldn't</u> eat junk food.
- 2. SHOULD + NOT is used to express prohibition. (INTERDICTION)
 - Visitors <u>shouldn't</u> leave their bicycles here.
- 3. SHOULD + NOT is used to express criticism. (DISAPPROVAL)
 - You <u>shouldn't</u> have done it.
- 4. SHOULD + NOT is used in reported speech. (INDIRECT SPEECH)
 - He said that he <u>shouldn't</u> come in October.

Step 8: Interrogative Form of SHOULD

- 1. SHOULD is used to make requests about obligation. (DUTY)
 - Should I close the door behind me?
- 2. SHOULD is used to ask for advice. (STRONG RECOMMENDATION)
 - What <u>should I</u> do?
- 3. SHOULD is used to ask questions in conditional sentences. (HYPOTHESIS)
 - Who <u>should</u> be notified if you fall sick?
- 4. SHOULD is used to make subtle suggestions. (PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY)
 - Shouldn't you be going to bed now?

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