

# Modals

## ⇒ May/Might

The modal verbs "**may**" and "**might**" are used to express **possibility** or **permission** in English. They are very similar in meaning and usage, but "might" is considered slightly more tentative or less certain than "may".

### 1. Expressing Possibility:

"**May**" and "**might**" are commonly used to express **possibility** in English. They suggest that something is likely to happen, but **not guaranteed**.

#### Example:

- It may rain later today.
- She might come to the party tonight.



### 2. Expressing Permission:

"**May**" and "**might**" are also used to express **permission** or to give someone permission to do something.

#### Example:

- You may leave early today if you finish your work.
- She might allow you to borrow her car if you ask nicely.



### 3. Forming Questions:

When using "**may**" and "**might**" to form questions, they are often placed at the beginning of the sentence to indicate that the speaker is **asking for permission** or to express **uncertainty**.

**Example:**

- May I borrow your pen?
- Might I ask you a question?



**4. Negative Forms:**

To make a negative sentence using "**may**" and "**might**", you simply add "**not**" after the modal verb.

**Example:**

- She may not come to the party tonight.
- They might not finish their project on time.



**5. Use in the Present and Future:**

"**May**" and "**might**" are commonly used in the **present** and **future tenses**, but not usually in the **past tense**.

**Example:**

- He may be late for the meeting tomorrow.
- They might not have enough time to finish their work before the deadline.

