

Modales

Uses of the infinitive with to

Can infinitivo Be ^{en el tiempo} able to

Could
pasado

todas las formas/tiempo

Can → para pedir permiso informal

could → para mas formal

may → mucho mas formal
↓
en pregunta

May I go out?

I can play the guitar

I am able to play the guitar

I could play " "

I was able to play " "

I will be able to play

I have been able to play ...

He sido capaz

Solo en presente

Must → deber → obligacion interna / personal

* Have to → Tener que → obligaciones externas / generales

* mustn't → prohibition

don't have to - no hay necesidad / no tienes que

↓
don't need to

need to → necesidad

Dar consejo

should. Deberias

shouldn't No deberias

* may / might - posibilidad

maybe
quizás