

Modal auxiliary verbs have **no infinitives or participles**. Instead, we use other expressions like **be able to, be allowed to, have to**.

4 Can you complete the examples with expressions from the box?

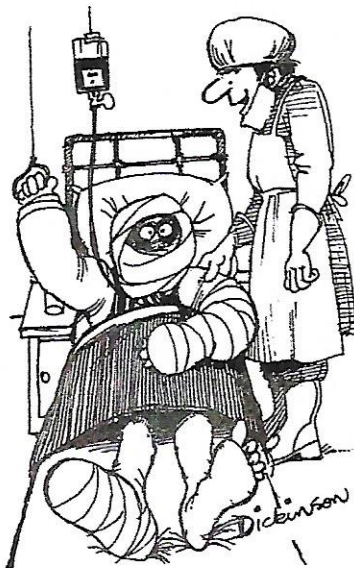
be able to	to be able to	been able to	been allowed to
have to	to have to	had to	

- 1 He'd like ____ travel abroad more. (NOT He'd like to ~~can~~ ...)
- 2 I've never ____ understand maths. (NOT I've never ~~could~~ ...)
- 3 The child has always ____ go out alone. (NOT She's always ~~could~~ ...)
- 4 I'm sorry ____ tell you this ... (NOT I'm sorry to ~~must~~ ...)
- 5 We've ____ get new shoes for both the kids. (NOT We've ~~must~~ ...)
- 6 One day, everybody will ____ travel where they want.
- 7 I'm afraid you will ____ work next weekend.
- 8 I would hate ____ live in a big city.
- 9 I would have enjoyed the holiday more if I had ____ speak Spanish.

5 Complete some of these sentences.

- 1 I've never been able to ____.
- 2 I'd like to be able to ____.
- 3 One day, people will be able to ____.
- 4 I wouldn't like to have to ____.
- 5 I've always had to ____.
- 6 I've never had to ____.
- 7 When I am President of the World, people will have to ____.

6 What do you think are the missing words in the cartoon caption?



'But the good news is that you'll never ____ smoke, drink or drive a car again.'