# INGLÊS

Working at a conference

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#### **OBJECTIVES:**

 Interact with participants and presenters using modal verbs and other expressions

## Offering help / Asking for help

- Can I help you with anything?
- I can help you with that. (carry something, use equipment, find a place)
- Let me help you.
- Could I offer you some help?
- I could take you there.

- Can / Could you help me, please?
- Would you help me move that table?

#### **Accepting / Refusing help**

- Thanks, that would be great.
- Oh, please. Thank you.

- That's not necessary, thanks.
- Oh, <u>no need</u>, thanks.
- That's OK, I can manage. Thanks.



#### Offering help

possibility

- Can I help you with anything?
- I can help you with that.

ability / possibility

#### **Possibility:**

This can't be happening.

We could have the break at 10am.

#### **Ability:**

I can fix this. = I'm able to fix this.

could → past

I could ride a bike when I was a child, but now

I can't.

I couldn't speak English and today I can.

## **Possibility / Probability**



- We may need to change rooms.
- He may not come today.



They might (not) ask you to finish earlier.



## Asking for / Giving (not giving) permission

- Can I take a look at your computer?
- Could I try to connect?
- May I plug this in?

- Sure, go ahead.
- Yes, please.



No, that's OK, I can do that, thanks.

## Offering / Accepting / Refusing something

- Can I offer you something to drink?
- Would you like some water?

Yes, please. Coffee would be great.

No, thanks. <u>I'm fine</u>.



#### **Necessity**

- We have to leave the room now.
- You need to finish the presentation at 9.
- We must exit the building.

- Do I have to use this computer?
- Does he need to stay in the room?



#### **Recommendation / Suggestion**

- Maybe we should change rooms.
- Let's check this issue with the organizers, shall we?
- Shall we talk to someone about this?

Should we wait a few minutes?

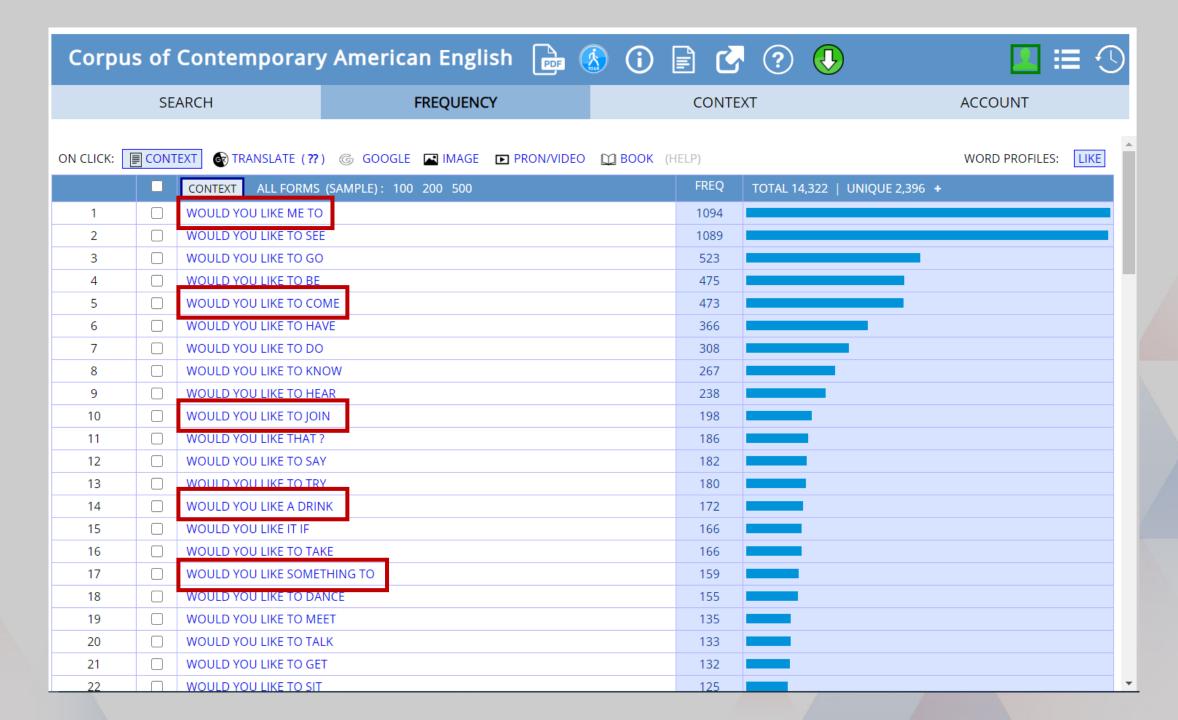
You shouldn't use this outlet. That one is better.

You'd better hurry! (= had better)

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✓ Used modal verbs and expressions to interact when working at a conference