

Listening and Speaking

Speaking Strategy

Asking about obligations/
possibilities

A. You may use 'modals' (can, may, should, must) to ask and answer about what you can (not)/must (not)/should (not)/may (not) do.

- May I use your camera for my trip?
- Honestly, no. I need it this week. You should buy a camera for yourself.
- But I can't pay for it now. I should pay for the ticket and other things.
- Well, you may ask Parvin. She can help you.



You may use the following patterns to ask and answer about what you can (not)/must (not)/should (not)/may (not) do.

May I leave the class?

Yes, you may.

Should they be more careful?

Yes, they should.

Must we drive fast?

No, you must not.

Can he speak French ?

No, he can't.