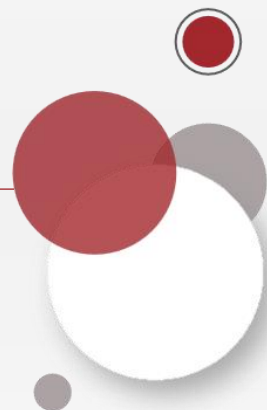




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Lesson 9

- A) Modals
- B) Acronyms
- C) Reading signs



A) Modals



will	<i>farò, faccio</i>
shall	<i>faccio?</i>
might	<i>può darsi che faccio</i>
may	<i>può darsi che faccio</i>
can	<i>posso/so/riesco a fare</i>
could	<i>potrei (fare)</i>
must	<i>devo</i>
should	<i>dovrei</i>
would	<i>farei</i>
<i>would you like = graderesti?</i>	



Modals + infinitive (no to)

He can play tennis very well.

They may be late to the concert.

She should read more often.

Shall can be used for I/we instead of will and it also has the meaning = *facciamo*?

Eg.

Shall we take a break?

Shall I open the window?



Example:

A boy doesn't want to do his homework. His mother is angry and says:

- 1) You must do your homework now!
- 2) You would do your homework now!
- 3) You need to do your homework now!
- 4) You can do your homework, it's not difficult.
- 5) You must to do your homework now!



B) Acronyms are abbreviations

Some common ones are:

P.S. usually found at the end of a letter or email.

i.e. from Latin id est Used instead of "that is"

etc. to mean "and so on"

aka stands for "also known as"

asap stands for "as soon as possible" Used to express urgency

pto stands for "please turn over" and is used at the bottom of a page



- N.B. stands for “Nota Bene” Used to indicate a mistake or suggestion for improvement
- e.g. means “for example”
- vs stands for “versus”. Used to express “in contrast to”
for example: Juventus vs Toro
- et alii found in academic readings to mean “and others”



C) Reading Signs



Exercise:

- Where can you see the following notices?
- For questions **1** to **10** choose one letter A, B or C



1:

You can look, but don't
touch the pictures.

A: in a office

B: in a cinema

C: in a museum

2:

**Please give the right
money to the driver.**

A: in a bank

B: on a bus

C: in a cinema



3:

NO
PARKING
PLEASE

A: in a street

B: on a book

C: on a table

4:

CROSS BRIDGE FOR TRAINS TO
EDINBURGH

A: in a bank

B: in a garage

C: in a station



5:

**KEEP IN A
COLD PLACE**

A: on clothes

B: on furniture

C: on food

6:

**Please leave your
room key at /
Reception.**

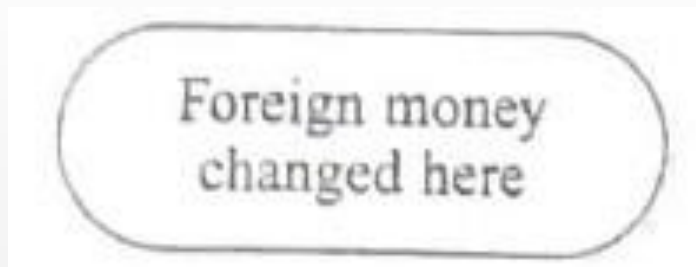
A: in a shop

B: in a hotel

C: in a taxi



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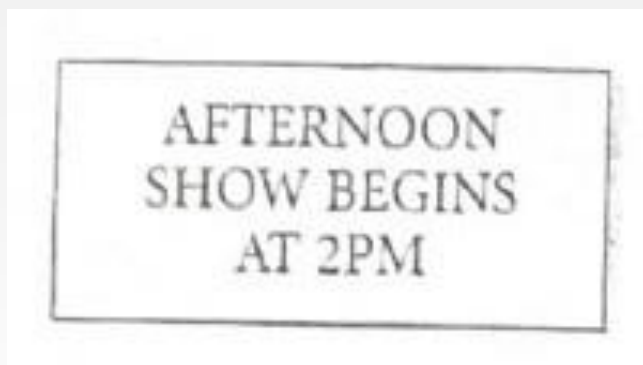


A: in a library

B: in a bank

C: in a police station

8:



A: outside a theatre

B: outside a supermarket

C: outside a restaurant



9:

CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS
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8th January

A: at a travel agent's

B: at a music school

C: at a restaurant

10:

Price per night:
£10 a tent
£5 a person

A: at a cinema

B: in a hotel

C: at a camp-site



That is the end of lesson 9.

Next lesson:

A) Social English

B) Part B text and question types

