Modal Auxiliary Verbs Exercise

Fill in the blanks with appropriate modal auxiliary verbs.

1. You ......................... slow down. (Order)

   - must
   - should
   - can

2. You ......................... go shopping this week.

   - need not
   - do not need
   - should not

3. ................................. we throw a party next week? (Make a suggestion)

   - Shall
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4. .......................... I carry your bag? (Make an offer)

Would

Should

Will

5. You .......................... vote unless you are 18. (Inability)

cannot

should not

could not
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6. You ................. to wake me up early tomorrow. I am on holiday. (Lack of necessity)

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7. You .................... get that carpet cleaned. (Necessity)

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8. You ....................... pack so many clothes. We are only going for one day. (Lack of necessity)

| need not        |
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9. You ................................ smoke at work. (Prohibition)

cannot

should not

need not

10. I love music. I ............................. play the piano really well. (Ability)

can

will

could
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11. I lost my phone yesterday but I ................................ find it. (Ability)

   - was able to
   - can
   - could

12. She ............................. walk when she was just 8 months old. (Past ability)

   - can
   - could
   - was able to

### Answers

You must slow down. (Order)
You need not go shopping this week. (Lack of necessity)
Shall we throw a party next week? (Asking for suggestion)
Should I carry your bag? (Make an offer)
You cannot vote unless you are 18. (Inability)
You do not need to wake me up early tomorrow. I am on holiday. (Lack of necessity)
You should get that carpet cleaned. (Necessity)
You need not pack so many clothes. We are only going for one day. (Lack of necessity)
You cannot smoke at work. (Prohibition)
I love music. I can play the piano really well. (Ability)
I lost my phone yesterday but I was able to find it.
She could walk when she was just 8 months old. (Past ability)