Modals Exercise

Fill in the blanks.

1. Few countries …………….. survive without trade.
   - can
   - may
   - shall

2. As a grown-up, you ………………….. fend for yourself from now on.
   - must
   - would
   - might

3. Modern stoves ……………………… be used with greater facility than the old-fashioned wood
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burners.

may

can

will

4. Extreme cold ................. cause the engine to fail.

will

can

must

5. She ....................... go to any extreme to get her way.

shall
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will

would

6. The new chemical ................. exterminate the cockroaches.

will

would

need

7. Trekking was an absurdity his frail health ................. afford.

cannot

could not

will not
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8. I …………………… like to help, but I am without cash at the moment.

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9. In the future, you …………………….. get his permission first.

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10. We chatted for hours about how we …………………….. spend the holidays.

| can    |
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11. General elections .................................. be held next month.

12. ........................................ you estimate the distance to the top of that hill?
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Answers

Few countries can survive without trade.
As a grown-up, you must fend for yourself from now on.
Modern stoves can be used with greater facility than the old-fashioned wood burners.
Extreme cold will cause the engine to fail.
She will go to any extreme to get her way.
The new chemical will exterminate the cockroaches.
Trekking was an absurdity his frail health could not afford.
I would like to help, but I am without cash at the moment.
In the future, you had better get his permission first.
We chatted for hours about how we would spend the holidays.
General elections will be held next month.
Can you estimate the distance to the top of that hill?