English Modal Verbs

Modal verbs are a type of auxiliary verbs which express the mood of another verb. They are used to express ideas such as possibility, prediction, speculation, deduction and necessity.

Modal	Concept	Example
Can	Ability	Julie can swim.
	Permission	Can I go with you?
	Offers	Can I help you?
Could	Possibility	That story could be true – who knows!
	Past ability	Charlie could swim when he was four years old.
	Permission	Could I use your phone please?
	Requests	Could you tell me the way to the station please?
May	Possibility	The President may come to our offices if he meeting
		finishes before 5PM.
	Permission	May I borrow your dictionary?

You can see the whole lesson from your teacher, please ask them to send it to you before the class.

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