

Modal Verbs

Requests

asking someone to do something



WOULD (polite)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Would you please turn on the light?• Would you help me carry these bags?
COULD (polite)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Could you please bring me more coffee?• Could you lend me your car for the day?
WILL (less polite)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Will you get the door for me, please?• Will you make a copy of this essay for me?
CAN (less polite)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Can you lend me your book?• Can you give me a hand?