Modality

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Mood is a grammatical category, typically expressed by verb inflection, which indicates what the speaker is doing with a proposition in a particular discourse situation. Mood normally identifies the status of an utterance; for example, an utterance may be indicative (the usual form), imperative (a command), hortative (an exhortation), or subjunctive (a subordination). Mood is also referred to as modality or mode, especially when inflectional forms are not involved. Modal auxiliaries are verb-like words which typically express speakers' attitudes towards the factual content of an utterance, such as factuality, likelihood, uncertainty, possibility, and necessity (may, could, ought, etc.).

Modals: can, could; may, might; will, would; shall, should; must, (ought to).

e.g. I wish I we I suggest he goes

"Semi-modals": need, dare, used to, (ought to).

Meanings	Modal auxiliaries										
	can	may	might	could	would	will	shall	must	should	ought to	used to
possibility	***	***	***	**							
ability	<b>**</b> • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	ara suas		44							
permission	**	Y	*	•							
habit					**						
volition (or wish)		*			**	**	**		,		
prediction (or future)					**	***	***				
unreal meaning			*	***	***				**		
"tentative" meaning									*		
strong obligation								***			
weak obligation	(10.2 10 (4			7.5	Jane-				***	***	
strong deduction			Talana					***		3	
weak deduction		**	*	**							
past state or habit											***