

# MODEL VERBS FOR LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS: ADVICE, RECOMMENDATIONS, SUGGESTIONS, PROHIBITION

## 1: ADVICE / RECOMMENDATIONS

? Asking for advice or a recommendation

Oh no, I / we / they have a problem!

What **should** I / we / they?

do?

How **ought** I / we / they to?

manage the problem?

Giving advice or a recommendation to others

You / we / they **must**

go to the doctors.

You / we / they **should**

**must** – the speaker believes it is necessary

You / we / they **ought to**

**should / ought to** – the speaker thinks this is the best thing to do in this situation

You / we / they **had better**

**had better** – the same as **should** but stronger

## 2: SUGGESTION

? Asking for a suggestion

What **shall** I / we? do tonight?

What **should** I / we? watch on television?

Where **shall** I / we? go on holiday?

Giving a suggestion

**Shall we ?** go to the cinema?

**Should we ?** watch a quiz show?

call the bank ?

**We could** go to England

## 3: PROHIBITION

? Asking about permission  
What is the rule?

**Is it allowed to?** walk on the grass?

**Are we allowed to?** park here?

Telling someone the rules

No, you **mustn't** walk on the grass.

Yes, you **are allowed to** park here.

### GRAMMAR NOTE:

**Modal Verb + BARE INFINITIVE**

What **shall** we **do** this evening?