

Using modal auxiliaries in sentences

Today's Standard

4.L.1c - Use modal auxiliaries (e.g., can, may, must) to convey various conditions.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Asking for permission: 'May I go to the bathroom?'; Expressing ability: 'I can swim very fast.'; Indicating necessity: 'You must wear a seatbelt.'; Offering suggestions: 'You should try the new restaurant.'; Making requests: 'Can you help me with my homework?'

Today I Learned

Today we learned about special words called modal auxiliaries, like 'can,' 'may,' and 'must.' These words help us show different conditions in our sentences.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes kids think all these words mean the same thing, but they don't. For example, 'can' means you are able to do something, while 'must' means you have to do it. Another mistake is using these words in any sentence without changing the meaning, but they do change it!

Quiz Me

- What does 'can' mean?
- What does 'may' mean?
- What does 'must' mean?
- Can you give me a sentence with 'can'?
- Can you give me a sentence with 'must'?

Help Me

Modal auxiliaries like 'can,' 'may,' and 'must' help us talk about different conditions. For example, 'can' shows you can do something, like 'I can ride a bike.' 'Must' shows something you have to do, like 'You must do your homework.'