

Name _____

Quick Modal Check Answer Key

1. could
2. could
3. could
4. can
5. can

Extension Activity: Sample Answers

(Answers will vary; examples below are acceptable models.)

- Ability (can): I can swim faster than my brother.
- Past Ability (could): When I was little, I could climb trees easily.
- Politeness (could): Could you please help me with my homework?

Note for Teachers:

Accept any original sentences that correctly use *can* or *could* to express ability, past ability, or politeness. Check for clear meaning and proper context.

Teacher's Guide

- **Skill Focus:** Tests recognition of *can* for ability or present situations and *could* for politeness, past ability, or hypotheticals.
- **Differentiation Tips:**
 - For struggling learners, provide visual cues or context clues (time words like *when I was younger* for past ability).
 - For advanced students, ask them to explain why their chosen modal fits each sentence.
- **Engagement Idea:** Use this quiz as an "Exit Ticket Challenge." Students must justify one of their answers orally before leaving class.
- **Extension Activity:** Have students write two original sentences—one using *can* and one using *could*—that clearly show different meanings (ability vs. politeness).