



Ability: *can, could, will be able to*

1 Choose the correct words.

When Rachel's son Frank was born, he couldn't / **could** breathe very well, so the doctors examined his heart. Frank had a serious heart problem. But luckily the doctors said they (1) **could** / **can** operate. When he was one, Frank had a heart transplant. For a year after that, he (2) **could** / **couldn't** fight infection very well, so he was often ill.

But these days, Frank is healthy and (3) **can** / **could** do everything that other six-year-old boys (4) **can** / **can't** do. Medicine is getting better. In the future, doctors (5) **can** / **will be able to** help more people, and those people (6) **can't** / **will be able to** live happy healthy lives. When Rachel tells people about Frank, sometimes they (7) **can't** / **won't be able to** believe how ill he was!

Possibility and certainty: *may, might, could, must, can't*

2 Choose the correct words, a, b or c.

The treatment isn't very good now, but it *b* improve in a few years.

a can't b might c may not

1 A heart transplant takes a long time. It _____ be a very difficult operation.

a must b might c can't

2 The medicine _____ work because it's new. We aren't sure.

a can't b must c might not

3 This new therapy _____ be more effective than drugs. We're hopeful.

a could b can't c may not

4 That new drug _____ be effective. I haven't got better.

a must b could c can't

5 Some patients _____ enjoy zootherapy, but others will be sceptical.

a must b may c may not

Advice and obligation: *should, must, have to*

3 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

don't have to must mustn't
should shouldn't

If you want to learn how to swim, you *should* take lessons.

- 1 You _____ smoke in restaurants and cafés now – it's illegal.
- 2 You _____ buy a ticket to travel on a train.
- 3 During the holidays, I _____ go to school.
- 4 You _____ go to bed late on a school night.

Nouns and verbs: medical science

4 Write the noun form of the verbs. Add *-ment*, *-ion* or no ending. Make any necessary spelling changes.

clone	<i>clone</i>
1 research	_____
2 operate	_____
3 develop	_____
4 prevent	_____
5 treat	_____

Phrasal verbs: health and lifestyle

5 Complete the sentences with the phrasal verbs in the box.

cut down on get over
~~give up~~ take up work out

Tomorrow, I'm going to *give up* junk food. This is my last burger!

- 1 I _____ at the gym every day.
- 2 Joe's dentist wants him to _____ sugary foods and brush his teeth more often.
- 3 I need a hobby. I think I'll _____ tennis.
- 4 When my girlfriend finished with me, my friends helped me to _____ it.

