



Modals of Probability

Listen to three conversations using modals of probability.

Conversation #1

Man: Will you be in the office on Monday?

Woman: I will. Why?

Man: Do you **think** you'll have time to help me?

Woman: I might. I have a lot to do that day, though.

Man: OK, I will **check** with you then. I **may** not even need you.

Woman: OK, let me know.

Conversation #2

Man: When will you retire?

Woman: I might **retire** this year.

Man: Really so soon. What will you do with **yourself**?

Woman: I will probably **travel** for a year.

Man: And what will you do after that?

Woman: I'll **probably** come home and take up golf!

Conversation #3

Woman: Have you seen this? You might like this?

Man: What is it?

Woman: It's a watch that **counts** calories as you walk.

Man: Not sure why I might need this.

Woman: Well, you said you are on a **diet**! It might motivate you to walk more.

Man: Yeah, I **suppose** it might help me lose **weight**.

Woman: It may! You never know!

Quiz

- 1) What may not happen. ✓
 - a) They will be in the office.
 - b) One person will need help.**
- 2) What will she do in retirement? ✓
 - a) Play music
 - b) Play golf**
- 3) What might the device make her do? ✓
 - a) Eat less
 - b) Walk more**

Grammar Challenge

Fill in the blanks with the correct word.

office	yourself	diet
check	probably	weight
may	retire	counts
think	travel	suppose

Speaking Challenge

Match the answers with the questions.

- 1) Where are you going this summer break?
- 2) What are having for dinner?
- 3) Who is going to win the next World Cup?
- 4) Why should people save money?
- 5) What is the weather like tomorrow?

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- [1] I am not sure. I think Spain might win.
 [5] I think it might rain.
 [2] I am not sure. I might go out.
 [1] I might go to Spain.
 [4] Because they may need it someday.

What about you? Share your answers to the questions.