

LESSON 2 GOAL Make a medical or dental appointment

GRAMMAR *Will be able to*; Modals *may* and *might*

Will (we won't) be able to + base form: future ability
 The doctor **will be able to** see you tomorrow. (= The doctor can see you tomorrow.)
 She **won't be able to** come to work this week. (= She can't come to work this week.)

May / might (as may not / might not) + base form: possibility
 The dentist **may (or might)** arrive at the office a little late this morning.
 You **may not (or might not)** need to come in right away.

Note: You can use *be able to* with *may* and *might* for possibility or with *must* for drawing conclusions.
 The doctor **may be able to** see you today.
 I **might not be able to** get there till 6:00.
 We **must be able to** park here. See the sign?
 They **must not be able to** cancel the appointment.

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 • Expressing possibility with *maybe*






GRAMMAR PRACTICE Complete each conversation. Use *might*, *might not*, *might be able to*, or *must not be able to* and the base form.

1 A: I'd like to see a dentist right away. I think it's an emergency.
 B: Well, I you an appointment at 2:00. Would that be OK?
 2 A: Is Dr. Lindt in this morning? I'm not feeling very well.
 B: She is, but she doesn't have any openings. However, she time to see you this afternoon.

3 A: I think I a little sick this morning. I feel nauseous, and I've been vomiting.
 B: Then you should see Dr. Anders. But he any openings today.
 4 A: I've been calling Mr. Reis for an hour. I know he's home, but no one's answering.
 B: That's strange. He the phone.

VOCABULARY Medical procedures

A Read and listen. Then listen again and repeat.

a checkup / an examination

a shot / an injection

an EKG / an electrocardiogram

an X-ray

a blood test

B PAIR WORK Discuss when a person might need each medical procedure from the Vocabulary.

CONVERSATION MODEL

A Read and listen to someone making a medical appointment.

A: Hello, Doctor Star's office. Can I help you?
 B: Hello. This is Ann Webb. I need to make an appointment for a blood test. I wonder if I might be able to come in early next week.
 A: Let's see if I can fit you in. How about Tuesday?
 B: Could I come in the morning?
 A: Let me check . . . Would you be able to be here at 10:00?
 B: That would be perfect.
 A: We'll see you then.
 B: Thanks! I really appreciate it.

B **RHYTHM AND INTONATION** Listen again and repeat. Then practice the Conversation Model with a partner.

HOW YOU CAN Make a medical or dental appointment

A CONVERSATION ACTIVATOR With a partner, role-play making an appointment to see a doctor or dentist. Suggest a day and time. Write the appointment on the schedule. Then change roles.

A: Hello, Doctor 's office. Can I help you?
 B: I need to make an appointment for I wonder if I might be able to come in
 A: Let's see if I can fit you in. How about ?
 B: Could I come in ?
 A: Let me check . . . Would you be able to be here at ?
 B: That would be perfect.
 A: We'll see you
 B: I really appreciate it.

DON'T STOP!

- Discuss other possible days and times.
- Ask for more information, such as name and phone number.

Meas

- How about . . .
- tomorrow?
- next week?
- early next week?
- at the end of next week?
- the week of the 3rd?

B CHANGE PARTNERS Make another appointment.

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