Shall and Should

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Introduction

Both ‘Shall’ and ‘Should’ are Modal Auxiliary verbs. That is, they can function as both Modals and Auxiliaries. Auxiliary verbs are followed by the simple form of a main verb. For example, “She should answer the call.” In this sentence, “answer” is the main verb.

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The Use of 'Shall'

1. The word "shall" is used to specify concepts that are associated with specific rules or laws. (Be careful to not confuse it with "must.").

   Examples:

   - You **shall** not run across the road.
   - He **shall** not take the responsibility of looking after your kids.

2. The word "shall" is also used to discuss something that will happen or exist in the future:

   Examples:

   - **Shall** I reach you to school today?
   - **Shall** we go for a picnic tomorrow?

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