Modal verbs and similar expressions

For reading comprehension you need to be able to understand modal verbs and some of their similar expressions:

CAN – may, might, could, be able to, know how to, be capable of, be permitted, be allowed, be ok

CAN’T – mustn’t, be forbidden, be prohibited, be against the rules / not be able to etc.

SHOULD - be advised, ought to, had better, be recommended, be a good idea

MUST – have to, need to, be required, be essential, be fundamental, be important

NEEDN’T – not have to, not need to, not be necessary

*This is essential for reading Part 1