

Hunting for Modality

Read through the sentences below and circle all the modal words in the sentence. For an extra boost, circle high modality words and phrases in red, and low modality words and phrases in blue.

1. Though we may never know for sure, we think that Argentinosaurus was the largest dinosaur.
2. You ought to know those times tables by now.
3. When I was a young girl, in the summer afternoons we would play soccer in the streets with other kids from the neighbourhood.
4. Could I get another glass of water please?
5. I will let you know when we get some more stock in.
6. Do you think you might want to go to dinner sometime?
7. The math equation was so difficult even the teacher could not do it.
8. I think it may be time for me to replace my car.
9. I can't believe my eyes, is that really you?
10. You must wear a hardhat and boots if you are going to be in this area.
11. You should have spent more time studying for that exam and less time playing video games.
12. In the event of an emergency, you must immediately push the big red button.
13. May I use your phone?
14. Your worst fear may have come true, but everyone is still safe.
15. I couldn't imagine having to be there all night long, that sounds terrible.