

L.O- Recognising Modal Verbs

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The order would be B, C, A because 'could' suggests a possibility, 'ought to' suggests a possibility with a level of compulsion, 'must' suggests compulsion.