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Circle as many high modality words as you can find:

must	would
could	may
surely	shall
unsure	ought to
must not	could not
has to	rarely

Identify whether the phrases below use high modality or low modality words:

Saving the island <u>could</u> be a good idea.	Low ✓
I <u>shall</u> visit my mother on the weekend.	High ✓
We <u>must</u> deal with this littering problem ourselves.	High ✓
I <u>ought to</u> listen to my mother as she is <u>rarely</u> wrong.	High + low ✓

Rewrite the sentences using high modality to persuade the reader:

1. If we do not stop polluting, we might destroy the environment.

If we never stop polluting, we will destroy the environment.

2. If kids do not exercise, it is likely they will have poor health.

Kids must exercise, or else they surely will have bad health.

