

MAY - MIGHT

May or Might?

May and **Might** can normally be interchanged without a significant difference in meaning. However, **Might** often implies a smaller chance of something happening (when expressing possibility).

- It **may** rain. (70% chance)
- It **might** rain. (40% chance)

When expressing wishes or giving permission, only **May** is used.

Possibility

- It **might** rain later so take an umbrella.

Give Permission

- You **may** have another cookie if you like.

Ask for permission

- **May** I borrow your pen please?

Express Wishes

- **May** the New Year bring you happiness.

Speculate about past actions

- She is late. She **may** have missed her plane.