Worksheet "Modal verbs"

In the corpus examples below, the speakers often use specific words to express what they are saying in a specific manner. Can you find these words?

Knock on door. Alexis: *Hi.* James*: Hello. I believe these belong to you.* Alexis*: Oh, thank you. Thank you very much, I really appreciate it. I would invite you in. I'm just not feeling that well right now.*
(General hospital 2007-04-09)

Jonathan*: Would you call her, please? Please tell her she doesn't have anything to worry about. I -- I want her to concentrate on having a good time tonight.*
(All my Children 2007-05-02)

Luke*: Mmm. You know what? If I do say so myself, these pancakes were awesome.* Faith*: Why couldn't we invite Dad?* Lily*: Dad had a lot to do at the farm.* Faith*: Mom, why won't you tell us what's going on? Is Dad mad at you again?*
(As the World Turns 2008-07-31)

Hope*: I think that you should invite her back for dinner one night.* Liam*: I think she will not like that idea at all.* Hope*: I don't think she will, either.*
(Bold and Beautiful 2012-04-24)

Katie*: Right. Right, we should have a party.* Jack*: Exactly, I was thinking more of a cookout. Here. Later today.* Katie*: Today?* Jack*: Today.* Katie*: Well, it's kind of last minute notice…*
(As the World Turns 2007-08-30)

Casey*: You want to go grab lunch?* Alison*: Actually, yes, I would. I worked the early shift, so I'm done for the day.* Casey*: Excellent. I'll take you out. My treat.* Alison*: Well, how can I refuse an offer like that? Should we invite Jade?*
(As the World Turns 2009-04-30)

Carly*: Well, I guess we'll have a little more bubbly while we wait. What shall we toast to this time?* Craig*: Uh, how about to the most beautiful, compassionate woman I know?* Carly*: You ought to invite her to dinner.*
(As the World Turns 2009-05-14)

How to express:

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