

- a  **6.10** Listen to two people talking about a photo.
Complete the sentences.

A I love your profile picture.
How old are you in the photo?

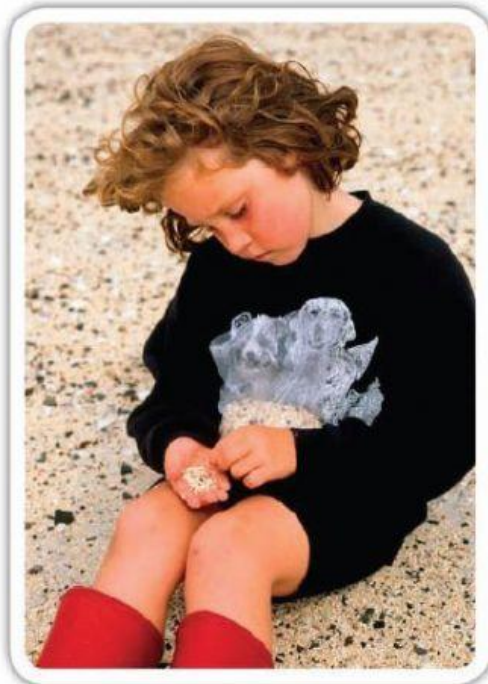
B I ¹ be about five or six. Definitely not more than that.

A Where are you?

B Do you know, I can't remember. It ² be the south of France. My grandmother had a house near Montpellier, so we sometimes spent the summer there.

A It ³ be the south of France – not in summer. You're wearing boots and a sweater! And it doesn't look like a Mediterranean beach.

B No, you're right. It ⁴ be Scotland, then. We sometimes went there.



Look at the highlighted verbs in the text. Which of them mean:

It's possible _____

It's very probable _____

It's impossible _____

modals of deduction: *might*, *can't*, *must*

might (when you think something is possibly true)

Tony's phone is switched off. He **might** be on the plane now, or just boarding.

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Laura **might not** like that skirt. It's not really her style.

can't (when you are sure something is impossible / not true)

Nigel **can't** earn much money in his job. He's still living with his parents.

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That woman **can't** be Jack's wife. Jack's wife has dark hair.

must (when you are sure something is true)

The neighbours **must** be out. There aren't any lights on in the house.

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Your sister **must** have a lot of money if she drives a Porsche.

The neighbours must be out.
There aren't any lights on in the house.



a Match the sentences.

b

He might be American.

D

1 He can't be a university student.

2 He must be cold.

3 He might be going to the gym.

4 He could be lost.

5 He must be married.

6 He must be a tourist.

7 He can't be enjoying the party.

8 He may not have a job.

9 He can't be a businessman.

A He's carrying a sports bag.

B He's carrying a camera and a guide book.

C He's looking at a map.

~~D He's wearing a baseball cap.~~

E He's looking at job adverts in the newspaper.

F He isn't talking to anybody.

G He isn't wearing a suit.

H He's wearing a wedding ring.

I He's wearing school uniform.

J It's freezing and he isn't wearing a jumper.

Complete with *must*, *might* (not), or *can't*.

- A What does Pete's new girlfriend do?
B I'm not sure, but she might be a doctor. I think she works at the hospital.
- 1 A Do you know anyone who drives a Ferrari?
B Yes, my nephew. I don't know his salary, but he _____ earn a fortune!
- 2 A Why don't you buy this dress for your mum?
B I'm not sure. She _____ like it. It's a bit short for her.
- 3 A My sister works as an interpreter for the EU.
B She _____ speak a lot of languages to work there.
- 4 A Did you know that Andy's parents have split up?
B Poor Andy. He _____ be very happy about that.
- 5 A Are your neighbours away? All the curtains are closed.
B I'm not sure. I suppose they _____ be on holiday.
- 6 A Where's your colleague today?
B She _____ be ill. She called to say that she was going to the doctor's.
- 7 A I'm looking forward to seeing Jane! I haven't seen her for years.
B You _____ recognize her – she's lost a lot of weight.
- 8 A My daughter has failed all her exams again.
B She _____ be working very hard.
- 9 A Why is Tina so happy?
B I'm not sure, but she _____ have a new partner.
- 10 A Where does your boss live?
B I don't know, but he _____ live near the office because he commutes every day by train.