Modals

A Circle the correct answers.

1 Helen **is able to** / **are able to** fix her bike by herself.
2 The children **was able to** / **were able to** play outside after it stopped raining.
3 **Are** / **Is** Tracy able to run 10 kilometres?
4 Tammy and Rita **weren't able to** / **wasn't able to** buy tickets for the concert.
5 You **will be able to** / **was able to** swim here in the summer.
6 **Were** / **Was** you able to get to the show on time?
7 I haven't got any money, so I **am not able to** / **aren't able to** go shopping.
8 I **are able to** / **will be able to** help you this afternoon.
9 Sandra **was able to** / **will be able to** meet her friend at the airport yesterday.

B Circle the correct answers.

1 It was raining yesterday, so we **mustn't** / **couldn't** go on a picnic.
2 Should we go to the concert in the park? It **may** / **must** be a waste of time.
3 When I was three, I **mustn't** / **didn't need to** do homework.
4 Drivers **should** / **must** stop at a red light.
5 The children **don't have to** / **can't** buy tickets. They can get in for free.
6 Don't go out now. It **has to** / **might** rain.
7 I **won't be able to** / **can't** meet you tonight.
8 He has got back problems. He **don't have to** / **shouldn't** carry heavy things.

C Complete the sentences with the modals below.

might ~~can~~ can't could couldn't didn't have to needs to should shouldn't be able to

1 Mindy ...*can*... jump very high and always wins competitions.
2 Ellen ..... eat so much chocolate. It isn't healthy.
3 I want to phone Rachel, but I ..... remember her number.
4 The loudspeakers weren't working, so we ..... hear the speaker.
5 You look tired. You ..... go to sleep.
6 I haven't got any plans for the summer yet, but I ..... go to the beach.
7 I was happy that Ron ..... come to the party yesterday.
8 Luckily, I ..... wait long for the bus yesterday.
9 Will you ..... help me this evening?
10 Michael can't come over because he ..... look after his younger brother.

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A

1 is able to
2 were able to
3 Is
4 weren't able to
5 will be able to
6 Were
7 am not able to
8 will be able to
9 was able to

B

1 couldn't
2 may
3 didn't need to
4 must
5 don't have to
6 might
7 won't be able to
8 shouldn't

C

1 can
2 shouldn't
3 can't
4 couldn't
5 should
6 might
7 could
8 didn't have to
9 be able to
10 needs to

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