GRAMMAR Modals (3): deduction

1 **Complete the sentences with *must* or *can't* and the correct form of the verb in brackets.**

1 Daniel came first in the marathon! He _____ (train) really hard this summer.
2 Our new head teacher looks very young. She _____ (be) more than 30 years old.
3 It's really cold outside. It _____ (snow) in the mountains.
4 Oh, hello. You _____ (be) Ally's brother. Nice to meet you.
5 Pete trapped his finger in the car door. That _____ (hurt)!
6 Well, I arrived at 8.05 and they weren't there. They _____ (wait) for very long.
7 You _____ (be) delighted when you heard that you'd been offered the job.
8 You _____ (see) Molly when you were in town, because she's on holiday. It _____ (be) someone who looks like her.

2 **Rewrite the sentences using the verbs in brackets.**

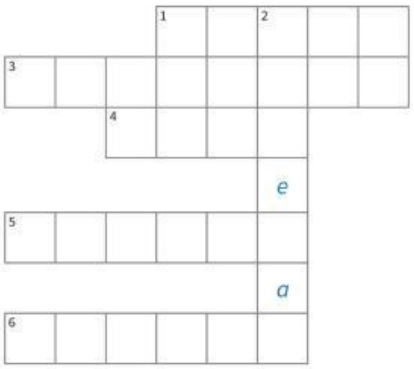
0 I'm sure he's at work today. (must)
He *must be at work today.*
1 Maybe John didn't know about the party (might)
John _____
2 Perhaps Janet forgot to tell you about it. (could)
Janet _____
3 It's not possible that this is your bag. (can't)
This _____
4 Perhaps they met when they were on holiday. (may)
They _____
5 I'm certain that I've seen this film before. (must)
I _____
6 It's possible that the children missed the early train. (might)
The children _____
7 There's no way that was the first time he's played tennis. (can't)
That _____
8 It's possible that Alex is still in class. (might)
Alex _____

3 **Correct the mistakes in the sentences or put a tick (✓) by any you think are correct.**

1 It must be very interesting. _____
2 It can go wrong, but it can go right too, and if it does, it was worth the effort. _____
3 We wouldn't be able to do 80 km on Saturday because in the mountains it is very difficult and we can get lost. _____
4 My supposed friend turned around and said, 'I don't know you, sir. You might have confused me with someone else.' _____
5 Obviously, it's wonderful to go to a zoo and see the animals from different countries all together, but it mustn't be very nice to be disturbed all day and to have no freedom. _____
6 There are great views throughout the ride, there's an astonishing castle and also a butterfly farm that can turn out to be very interesting. _____

VOCABULARY Phrases with *in*

1 **Complete the puzzle, using the clues to help you.**



Across

1 in the _____ of = because of
3 in _____ = happening or being done now
4 in _____ = one after another
5 be in _____ of = agree with or approve a plan or idea
6 in _____ fact = said to emphasise what is true or to give information

Down

2 in _____ = considering the whole of something

2 **Complete the sentences with the phrases from Exercise 1.**

1 I don't think it will help. _____, I think it might make things worse.
2 We haven't finished decorating yet. Work is still _____.
3 The head teacher called each of the boys to her office _____.
4 My head hurts, I'm tired, I'm hungry – _____, I'm feeling pretty bad.
5 _____ the poor attendance I think we should cancel the meeting.
6 I'm not _____ having another meeting, because it won't do any good.

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