

MODAL VERBS+HAVE +PAST PARTICIPLE

may/might+have+past participle

1) I **may/might+ have+ seen** her somewhere, but I'm not sure.

Function	To express possibility in the past
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VERB TABLE

INFINITE TO V1	PAST SIMPLE V2	PAST PARTICIPLE V3
see	saw	seen

could+have+past participle

2) You **could+ have + won** the grand prize.

Function	To express that something was possible in the past but didn't eventually happen.
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VERB TABLE

INFINITE TO V1	PAST SIMPLE V2	PAST PARTICIPLE V3
win	won	won

Must/might+have+past participle

3) Good! We've got enough eggs for baking. Dad **must** /might +have+ bought the eggs this morning.

Function	To express a positive deduction about the past(sure/possible about what happened)
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VERB TABLE

INFINITE TO V1	PAST SIMPLE V2	PAST PARTICIPLE V3
buy	bought	bought

can't/ could+have+past participle

4) I thought I saw Alice this morning, but it **couldn't** +have +been her. She is in Japan this week.

Function	To express a negative deduction about the past(not possible/not sure about what happened)
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VERB TABLE

INFINITE TO V1	PAST SIMPLE V2	PAST PARTICIPLE V3
be	was/were	been

needn't+have+past participle

5) You **needn't +have +paid** for the meals.

Function	To express absence of necessity/obligation in the past (something wasn't necessary, but it was done.)
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VERB TABLE

INFINITE TO V1	PAST SIMPLE V2	PAST PARTICIPLE V3
pay	paid	paid

would rather +have+past participle

6) I'd **rather +have+ done** studying than gaming. It was a waste of time.

Function	To express preference about the past.
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VERB TABLE

INFINITE TO V1	PAST SIMPLE V2	PAST PARTICIPLE V3
do	did	done

should+have+past participle

7) You **should +have +discussed** with me before making any decision.

Function	To express regret about something that didn't happen in the past.
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VERB TABLE

INFINITE TO V1	PAST SIMPLE V2	PAST PARTICIPLE V3
discuss	discussed	discussed

Shouldn't +have+past participle

8) You **shouldn't +have+ yelled** at the small kid. She's innocent.

Function	To express criticism about something somebody has done.
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VERB TABLE

INFINITE TO V1	PAST SIMPLE V2	PAST PARTICIPLE V3
yell	yelled	yelled



GRAMMAR MODAL VERBS+HAVE+PAST PARTICIPLE

FULL BLAST PLUS 4 (PAGE 105. REFERENCE PAGE 167)

1. I **should have told/may have told** my parents the truth.
Now I'm in trouble.
2. Look out! You **must have broken/could have broken**
that window with the football.
3. My bike isn't in the garage. My brother **must have
taken/should have taken** it.
4. Freddie **can't have slept/shouldn't have slept** well last
night. He's very tired today.
5. Mum, you **couldn't have bought/needn't have bought**
me a new MP4 player. I repaired my old one and it
works fine.
6. The film was awful. We **might have stayed/'d rather
have stayed** at home.
7. A: Someone stole my handbag!

B: Well, you **shouldn't have left/couldn't have left** it in
the car!