

Short quiz

He **must be** really busy. He started a new job.

He **must not leave** his house very often. He always seems to be busy.

He **can't be** upset with me. I haven't done anything to him.

He **could be** upset about something. Maybe you did something to him.

He **may not like** his new job. I haven't heard how he likes it.

He **might be feeling** stressed out. His new job may be a lot of work.

We use the words in **bold** to speculate about present or past events.

Next to the words "**must, could, or can't**" we write a verb in past form or base form.

Choose the correct option

1. Josh used to drop by every week. Now he never does.

He might be busy.

He may not be busy.

He can't be busy.

2. We haven't had anything to drink all morning.

You must be thirsty.

You may not be thirsty.

You can't be thirsty.

3. I just ran into my best friend from high school. I haven't seen her for years.

You could not be excited.

You must be excited.

You can't be excited.

4. Dustin didn't sleep at all last night.

He must be tired.

He could be tired.

He can't be tired.

5. Who's that glamorous woman?

She can't be a model.

She must not be a model.

She might be a model.

6. Did you hear? Luke and Sarah aren't getting along.

That's too bad. They might break up.

That's too bad. They can't break up.

That's too bad. They must break up.



1. He must not to leave the house because he is busy.
2. He can't being angry, I didn't tell him all the story.
3. He may not liked my comment but I am honest.
4. She may be feeling sad her boyfriend broke up with her.


