

1 **GRAMMAR IN USE** Choose the correct words in *italics*. If both are correct, choose both.
3.08 Listen and check.

MIKE Hi, Rob. I haven't seen you for ages! What are you doing in the gym?

ROB Trying to get fitter, of course. How are you?

MIKE I'm fine. I always thought you were super-fit because of all your cycling.

ROB Oh that. Well, you know how it is, you get a job, get married ...

MIKE But you (1) *could be* / *could have been* an Olympic cyclist – you used to be fantastic!

ROB Maybe not that good! Well, I was in a good club, and anyone (2) *could* / *may* apply to join the teams, but there were people there a lot better than me, and you know, cycling (3) *can* / *might* be very competitive.

MIKE I'm sure, but it's still a pity. Aren't you cycling at all now?

ROB Oh yeah, just not so intensively. I'm still in a club and I was thinking ... I (4) *might* / *could* try the Tour de France in a couple of years' time.

MIKE Wow! That would be awesome! It's such a long ...

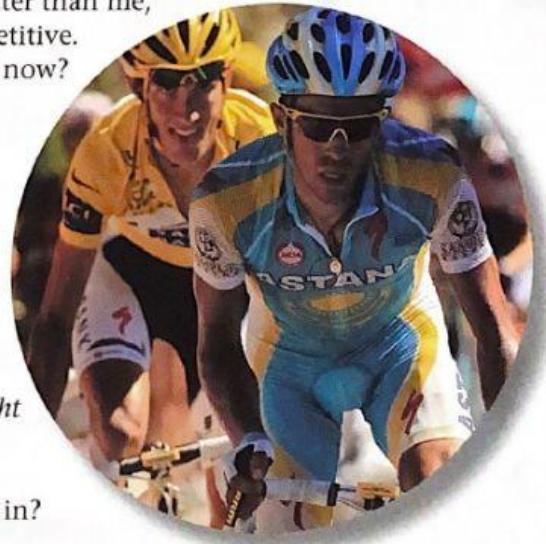
ROB No, no, I certainly (5) *can't* / *won't* be able to do it all. I (6) *might* / *could* not even be able to do more than a couple of stages. It's difficult with work and everything.

MIKE Yes, but what an opportunity!

ROB Mmm, if I felt I was fit enough, then I (7) *could* / *might* ask for some unpaid leave. Anyway, why don't you come along to the club?

MIKE Really? (8) *Do you think they might* / *Might they let me in?*

ROB It's worth a try. How about next Saturday ...?



4 **GRAMMAR IN USE** Read the article, then choose the best option to complete the comments below, as in the example. If two options are equally possible, choose both.

SPORTING DISASTERS

Heysel Stadium

ONE OF THE WORST disasters in the history of football took place in May 1985 at the Heysel Stadium in Brussels. It was the European Cup Final between Liverpool, UK and Juventus, Italy, and in many ways it was a disaster waiting to happen: the stadium was over fifty years old and in quite bad condition; some parts of it were said to be 'crumbling'. The Liverpool manager had wanted the Cup Final to be moved to another stadium. In addition, there was a history of violence between Liverpool and Italian teams, though not Juventus. The stadium was crowded,

and although the Liverpool and Juventus fans were seated in different parts of the stadium, the 'neutral' section, where tickets were allocated to Belgian supporters, actually contained a lot of Juventus fans.

As the match was about to start, Liverpool fans charged the 'neutral' section, causing a large number of mainly Juventus supporters to flee to the back of the stand, against a wall. The wall collapsed, killing 39 fans and injuring hundreds more. Despite the awful disaster, the match went ahead after the captains appealed for calm, and Juventus won 1–0.

As a result of the disaster, twenty-seven fans were arrested, most of whom were from Liverpool, and fourteen were given three-year suspended sentences for involuntary manslaughter. English football clubs were banned from playing in Europe for five years, and Liverpool was banned for six. Measures were taken to stop football hooliganism in England and make football a safer game to watch; these measures were successful and football is now a spectator sport for families again. No more football matches took place at Heysel Stadium, although it continued to host athletics events, and it was demolished in 1994.

- 0 The owners of the stadium its maintenance.
A should have neglected B must have neglected C had to neglect
- 1 The wall at the back of the stand have been strong enough.
A can't B couldn't C shouldn't
- 2 The organisers that there would be only Belgian fans in the neutral section.
A might think B could think C might have thought
- 3 The Juventus fans terrified.
A must have been B could be C might well have been
- 4 The football teams very brave to continue with the match.
A should have been B must have been C should be
- 5 Some of the fans who were arrested from Liverpool.
A couldn't have been B didn't have to be C can't have been
- 6 Liverpool Football Club out of European competition for a long time.
A had to stay B must have stayed C should have stayed
- 7 Football matches in England a lot more pleasant now.
A can be B must be C should have been
- 8 They have expected trouble at athletics meetings.
A mustn't B shouldn't C can't