

## Modals – exercise

**1) Fill in the gaps with the words/phrases below. Then match the sentences to the responses.**

MAY - MUST - HAD TO - MUSTN'T - SHOULD - DON'T HAVE TO

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| 1 We _____ pay our phone bill today.         | Don't worry. I won't.   |
| 2 You _____ bring your car. We'll take mine. | Sure, what is it?       |
| 3 John _____ be more polite to others.       | I keep telling him so.  |
| 4 _____ I ask you for a favour?              | OK, I'll do that later. |
| 5 You _____ be late for your interview.      | That's too bad.         |
| 6 She _____ work late yesterday.             | It's better this way.   |

**2) Fill in an appropriate modal verb that matches the meaning in brackets.**

- 1 You \_\_\_\_\_ enter without permission. (You aren't allowed.)
- 2 It's a nice day, we \_\_\_\_\_ have lunch in the garden (Let's...)
- 3 He \_\_\_\_\_ work overtime yesterday. (It wasn't necessary.)
- 4 You \_\_\_\_\_ try to be at work on time. (It's my advice.)
- 5 Tim \_\_\_\_\_ read when he was four. (He wasn't able to...)
- 6 Jane \_\_\_\_\_ get a promotion. (Perhaps.)
- 7 You \_\_\_\_\_ send them an invitation to the wedding. (It's my advice.)
- 8 \_\_\_\_\_ I use your pen? (Is it OK?)