Complete the accounts of two scams. Use modals of deduction and the verbs in brackets.

A) I was taking out money at an ATM. Just as my card came out, a guy behind me said I'd dropped some money. Sure enough, there was a twenty dollars note on the floor. I bent down, picked it up and my card was gone...and so was the man! He (1) _____(drop) the twenty dollars note and pretended it was mine, or the note (2) _____(fall) out of my wallet and he simply took advantage of the situation. He (3) _____(pull) my card out of the ATM when I bent down.



B) When an estate agent was showing me a flat, she got a phone call from a customer who wanted to put down a deposit on that same flat. So I gave the agent my deposit to book the flat, signed the contract, and was given the key. When I went back later to move in, the key didn't work...and the agent didn't answer my call. The woman (4) _____ (be) an estate agent! She (5) _____(be) an imposter and she (6) _____ (cheat) many people.

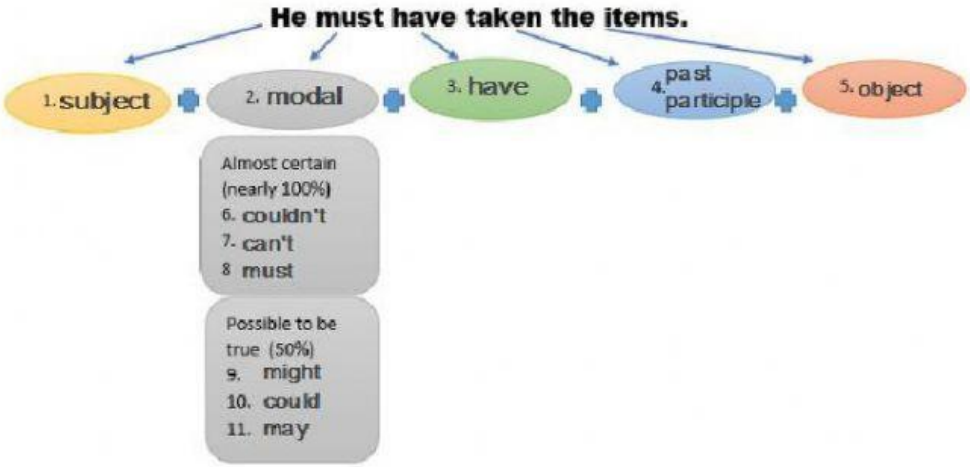


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PAST MODALS OF DEDUCTION

** There can be more than one answers for a few blanks but the setting only marks correct when the exact answer is written. Refer to the following chart and confirm with your teacher.

To make deductions or guesses about past actions or states, we use the following form:



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