

## Grammar – 9: Modal verbs of deduction (*present*)

### A. Complete the sentences with *must*, *might*, *might not* or *can't*.

- 1 He lived in Argentina for five years so he must speak good Spanish!
- 2 You \_\_\_\_\_ be very busy at work. You're always on Facebook!
- 3 I'm not sure, but the new assistant \_\_\_\_\_ be Italian. Her surname is Rossi.
- 4 Mark passed all his exams. His parents \_\_\_\_\_ be very proud.
- 5 Do you really think England will win tonight? You \_\_\_\_\_ be serious! They have no chance!
- 6 Lucy wasn't feeling well this afternoon, so she \_\_\_\_\_ come to the party tonight. She said she would let us know later today.
- 7 I thought our neighbour was away on holiday, but she \_\_\_\_\_ be – I've just seen her in her garden.
- 8 It's very cold this evening and there's a lot of cloud. I think it \_\_\_\_\_ snow.

### B. Match the sentences.

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| He might be American.               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D | A He's carrying a sports bag.                   |
| 1 He can't be a university student. | <input type="checkbox"/>              | B He's carrying a camera and a guide book.      |
| 2 He must be cold.                  | <input type="checkbox"/>              | C He's looking at a map.                        |
| 3 He might be going to the gym.     | <input type="checkbox"/>              | D <del>He's wearing a baseball cap.</del>       |
| 4 He could be lost.                 | <input type="checkbox"/>              | E He's looking at job adverts in the newspaper. |
| 5 He must be married.               | <input type="checkbox"/>              | F He isn't talking to anybody.                  |
| 6 He must be a tourist.             | <input type="checkbox"/>              | G He isn't wearing a suit.                      |
| 7 He can't be enjoying the party.   | <input type="checkbox"/>              | H He's wearing a wedding ring.                  |
| 8 He may not have a job.            | <input type="checkbox"/>              | I He's not old enough.                          |
| 9 He can't be a businessman.        | <input type="checkbox"/>              | J He isn't wearing a jumper.                    |