

## Lesson B Past modals for speculation

**A** Write a sentence to explain each situation. Start the sentences with the words given. There may be more than one correct answer.

1. You're stuck in a traffic jam, and you're sure there's been an accident.  
"There *must have been an accident*."
2. You're in a nice restaurant, and the couple at the table next to you aren't talking to each other. You think it's possible they've had a fight.  
"They \_\_\_\_\_."
3. You don't think it's possible that you left your credit card at the store.  
"I \_\_\_\_\_."
4. When you arrive at the dentist for an appointment, they tell you that you are an hour late. You think it's possible you wrote down the wrong time.  
"I \_\_\_\_\_."
5. You call your sister, but someone else answers. You're sure that you called the wrong number.  
"I \_\_\_\_\_."
6. Your mother didn't send you a birthday card. It's not possible that she has forgotten.  
"She \_\_\_\_\_."

