



Modal verbs



1) Choose the modal that best completes the sentence.

- a) Helaw; he hasn't decided yet.
- b) Youspend so much money on clothes.
- c)you please put out your cigarette?
- d) Shethe bus to work yesterday because her car broke down.
- e) Sally.....be asleep; all the lights in her house are on.
- f) I'm not sure why Jane is not at work today; she.....be ill.
- g) She looked everywhere for her glasses but shefind them.
- h) He passed his exam. Hebe pleased.



2) Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. Use between two and five words, including the word given.

a. It was wrong of them to take the car without asking for permission first. **shouldn't**

They the car without asking for permission first.

b. I'm sure that Mary forgot to call her parents. **have**

Maryto call her parents.

c. He didn't have to come so early; nobody is here yet. **needn't**

Heso early; nobody is here yet.

d. It's a pity that they didn't think of that sooner. **ought**

Theythat sooner.

e. I don't believe that Robert stole your mobile phone. **can't**

Robertyour mobile phone.

f. Perhaps they are working outside in the garden. **be**

Theyin the garden.

g. It wasn't necessary for them to look for the keys. I have already found them. **needn't**

Theythe keys. I have already found them.

