

## MODALS AND MODAL PERFECTS

### 1 Complete the sentences using the modals below.

can | might | couldn't | must | shouldn't

- 1 I ..... go out tonight, but I'm not sure.
- 2 Steven ..... play the piano when he was young.
- 3 ..... you tell me the way to the post office, please?
- 4 You ..... stay up late. You've got a test tomorrow.
- 5 You ..... complete your projects on time or you'll lose points.

### 2 Choose the best answer.

- 1 I **needn't have / could have / might have** attended Harvard, but I didn't.
- 2 You **don't have to / couldn't / mustn't** do that. It's illegal.
- 3 He **should have / might have / can't have** left work already. It's only three o'clock.
- 4 Relax. We **may not / don't have to / mustn't** leave the house for an hour.
- 5 People **need / would / should** stop littering. It's terrible!

### 3 Complete the sentences with the correct modal or modal perfect and the verbs in brackets.

might | must | should | can't | needn't

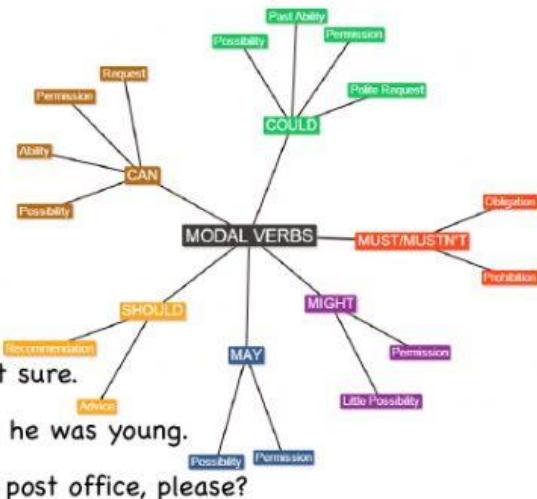
- 1 Catherine ..... (join) us later. She'll let us know.
- 2 They're watching TV now, so they ..... (finish) their homework.
- 3 We're going in the wrong direction! We ..... (turn) left a while ago.
- 4 Look at the time! I really ..... (stay) any longer.
- 5 You ..... (buy) any milk. There's a bottle in the fridge.

### 4 Complete the sentences with the modals and verbs below.

could | mustn't | might not | hasn't been able to | can

help | ride | perform | drive | play

- 1 As a child, Gabriella ..... the piano far better than most children her age.
- 2 Julian ..... his bike since he had the accident.
- 3 I ..... the car because I haven't passed my test yet.
- 4 Elizabeth ..... with the preparations if necessary.
- 5 It's not certain, but Nigel ..... in the play because he's ill.



**5 Rewrite the sentences using the word in brackets.**

- 1 We didn't move to Australia when we had the chance. (could)
- 2 I'd recommend seeing flats in various neighbourhoods. (should)
- 3 I don't know how to drive a car. (can't)
- 4 Do you mind closing the door, please? (could)
- 5 Perhaps they caught the last train. (might)
- 6 I'm sure he's on his way home by now. (must)

**6 Complete the sentences in a logical way. Use the words in brackets and a suitable modal or modal perfect. Use correct verb forms and add any necessary words.**

- 1 I think it is going to rain. We . (bring / umbrellas)
- 2 It was silly of them to drive when they . (take / train)
- 3 Why didn't you say you were moving house? I . (help)
- 4 You live near the beach? Wow, that !(wonderful)