

Past Modals of Possibility, Certainty, and Necessity

Directions: Fill in the blanks with a past modal of possibility, certainty, or necessity.

Modals of possibility: may have/ might have or might've/could have or could've.

Modal of certainty: must have/must've.

Modal of necessity: had to.

1. She _____ seen the movie a bunch of times. She knew all the actors' lines before they said them!
2. I can't find my wallet. I think I _____ left it at the restaurant.
3. He _____ work overtime last night to finish the project on time.
4. They _____ won the game if they had played better.
5. He thinks he _____ left his phone at home.
6. The kids _____ eaten all the cake. There's frosting all over their faces!
7. I didn't want to go to the party, but I _____ go because it was my best friend's birthday.
8. She _____ known the answer to the teacher's question. She raised her hand immediately.
9. They didn't show up to the meeting. I think they _____ forgotten it.
10. I _____ leave class early yesterday because I had a doctor's appointment.