44. Read the conversation and choose the correct words in *italics*. Sometimes both options are possible.

A: Try this puzzle. A man lives on floor 12 of a building. Every morning he takes the lift to the ground floor and walks to work. In the evening he (1) *'ll / might* usually get into the lift and go to floor 10, then get out and walk up the stairs to floor 12. But if it's raining, he (2) *could / 'll* go straight to floor 12 in the lift. Why?

B: He (3) *might / could* not like lifts very much.

A: That (4) *mustn't / can't* be right -- he uses the lift every morning.

B: That's true. Well, he (5) *must / may* be afraid of heights.

A: He lives on floor 12!

B: Oh yes ... Wait! The rain -- (6) *may / might* it be something to do with that?

A: Yes!

B: OK, so there (7) *must / can* be a reason why he can only go up to floor 12 in the lift when it's raining.

A: Exactly! Now, if it was raining in the morning, what (8) *will / must* he have taken with him when he left for work?

B: Er ... an umbrella? Now why (9) *might / will* he use an umbrella in the lift? Ah, I've got it! He (10) *can / must* be really short. So he (11) *can / can't* use the umbrella to reach the button for floor 12 on a rainy day! On other days he (12) *must / can* only reach up to the button for floor 10!

38. Tick the sentence, a or b, which best matches the sentence on the right.

1	a) He might be British. b) he must be British.	He has a British passport.
2	a) Our teacher can't be off sick. b) Our teacher may not be off sick.	I just saw him in the corridor talking to a student.
3	a) It can be cold in Delhi in December. b) It must be cold in Delhi in December.	I advise you to take some warm clothes just in case.
4	a) John can't have been working late last night. b) John might have been working late last night.	He wasn't home when I called at seven.
5	a) He can't be a millionaire. b) He must be a millionaire.	He has shares in the most successful company of all time.
6	a) I may come to the lecture this afternoon. b) I must come to the lecture this afternoon.	It depends if I finish my essay before then.
7	a) The exam may have been very difficult. b) The exam must have been very difficult.	Not many people passed it.
8	a) John couldn't know how to get here. b) John might not know how to get here.	We will have to give him directions.

39. Complete the sentences using *may, might, can* or *could* in the right form.

1 The supermarket _____ be open today because it's a Bank Holiday.

2 The phone is engaged. She _____ be talking to her sister on the phone.

3 The temperature in the mountains _____ fall below freezing even at this time of year.

4 _____ the negotiations finish today, do you think?

5 A: We've had a parcel delivered. It's from New Zealand.
B: Well, it _____ be from Ken. He's working in Australia at the moment.

6 A: Apparently, there's been an accident in the High Street.
B: That _____ explain why the bus is taking so long.

7 A: I can't find my purse anywhere.
B: _____ you have left it in the restaurant?

8 This camera is a bit cheaper than the other one, although it _____ be as good, of course.

9 When the traffic is bad, the journey _____ take up to three hours.

10 You should keep that ticket somewhere safe -- you _____ well need it later.

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