

## unit 07

- 4 The travel book will be **useful** \_\_\_\_\_ our trip to Paris at the end of the month.
- 5 What exactly do you **mean** \_\_\_\_\_ saying I'm arrogant and a snob?
- 6 Most nouns form their plural in -s, but there are a lot of **exceptions** \_\_\_\_\_ this rule.
- 7 Mrs Ming is a very nice lady. She's always been **good** \_\_\_\_\_ me.
- 8 A glass of orange juice a day is **good** \_\_\_\_\_ you.
- 9 This brochure will be **useful** \_\_\_\_\_ all the tourists who visit the sights.

### Grammar Revision (Modal Verbs)

See Grammar Review page 155

Read the short texts below and complete each blank with **one word**. All the missing words are modal verbs (can, could, may, should etc.)

- a As children, they (1) \_\_\_\_\_ to spend a lot of time together. They (2) \_\_\_\_\_ go for long bike rides along the coast until they reached the cave. Once there, they (3) \_\_\_\_\_ able to explore it to their heart's content, as no one else knew about this secret hideaway. They felt they (4) \_\_\_\_\_ to keep this place to themselves no matter what.
- b I'm worried about Gene. He hasn't been well lately. Yesterday, he was pale and he (5) \_\_\_\_\_ have been feeling sick, as he (6) \_\_\_\_\_ not eat a thing. I think he (7) \_\_\_\_\_ better see a doctor, as he (8) \_\_\_\_\_ have some serious illness he's not aware of. Of course, it (9) \_\_\_\_\_ just be a virus. To be on the safe side, though, I (10) \_\_\_\_\_ drop by his house later and tell him that he (11) \_\_\_\_\_ do something about it immediately.
- c When used properly, videos (12) \_\_\_\_\_ be very educational for children. Of course, they (13) \_\_\_\_\_ be suitable for their age and children (14) \_\_\_\_\_ not just be placed in front of the television and left unsupervised. Parents (15) \_\_\_\_\_ to be actively involved, too, as children (16) \_\_\_\_\_ not be passive viewers; they need someone to interact with while watching.
- d My car broke down yesterday and I (17) \_\_\_\_\_ to take the bus to work. I (18) \_\_\_\_\_ have taken a taxi instead, as it was a frustrating experience. We were all squashed together like sardines in a tin and we (19) \_\_\_\_\_ hardly breathe. To make matters worse, an overweight lady standing next to me wanted to get off at one point. "(20) \_\_\_\_\_ you mind moving a bit to the side so that I (21) \_\_\_\_\_ get to the door?" she said. She nearly squashed me to death! (22) \_\_\_\_\_ the public transportation system be this bad?