TEST - MODALS

1 Choose the correct option.

1 I **must/have to** practise my shooting more; it's a big weakness in my game.
2 You **ought to/might** have a better sleep schedule if you really want to become a successful athlete.
3 We **didn't need to buy/needn't have bought** our own equipment when we went canoeing, so that saved us a lot of money.
4 **Could/Might** I help you improve your serve? It will only take two minutes.
5 Despite his injury, Peter **was able to/could** finish the marathon in less than three hours.
6 "Could I use your golf clubs this afternoon?" "Yes, of course you **could/may**."
7 It's true that joining a tennis club **can/should** be expensive, but it's a really enjoyable sport.
8 You **mustn't/needn't** touch the net in volleyball; it's against the rules.
9 You **should/may** play football in the park as long as you've finished your homework.
10 When **may/might** Coach Stevens announce the starting line-up for the cup final?

2 Choose the correct sentence.

1 **a** Josh could swim well from an early age.
b Josh was able to swim well from an early age.

2 **a** Could you get a bottle of water for me?
b Shall you get a bottle of water for me?

3 **a** I needn't have attended practice yesterday; my coach gave me the day off.
b I didn't have to attend practice yesterday; my coach gave me the day off.

4 **a** May I borrow your hockey stick? I'll give it back later.
b Would I borrow your hockey stick? I'll give it back later.

5 **a** Must I wear these runners while bowling or do I need to rent special bowling shoes?
b Am I allowed to wear these runners while bowling or do I need to rent special bowling shoes?

6 **a** Shall we play golf this afternoon? I think we'll have great fun!
b May we play golf this afternoon? I think we'll have great fun!

7 **a** You ought to warm up before you go jogging; it helps to prevent injuries.
b You would warm up before you go jogging; it helps to prevent injuries.

8 **a** You couldn't play football in the garden; you'll destroy my flowers!
b You may not play football in the garden; you'll destroy my flowers!

3 Complete the second sentence using the word in bold. Use between two and five words.

1 Michael is certain that he will finish in the top three in the race. **SURE**
According to Michael, he _____ in the top three in the race.
2 It wasn't necessary for us to come to the stadium early; there were plenty of seats. **HAVE**
We _____ to the stadium early; there were plenty of seats.
3 Lisa hasn't managed to qualify for the knockout stages of the competition. **BEEN**
Lisa _____ qualify for the knockout stages of the competition.
4 The schedule says that the 10,000 metres race starts at five o'clock. **DUE**
The 10,000 metres race _____ at five o'clock.
5 It's against the rules for table tennis players to change their racket during a game. **PERMITTED**
Table tennis players _____ their racket during a game.
6 It's challenging to have a social life when you're a professional athlete. **BE**
Having a social life _____ when you're a professional athlete.
7 Competitors were asked to leave the track as soon as the race was finished. **OBLIGED**
Competitors _____ the track as soon as the race was finished.

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8 Ken will probably give up basketball to concentrate on his schoolwork. **LIKELY**
Ken _____ basketball to concentrate on his schoolwork.

4 Fill in: *isn't able to*, *have to*, *ought to*, *needn't*, *can*, *mustn't*, *shouldn't*, *must*.

1 _____ I play football in the park with my friends after school tomorrow?
2 All competitors _____ pay a registration fee in order to compete in the tournament.
3 You _____ skip your warm-up because it's important to prepare your body for sport.
4 Sharon _____ compete in the championship due to her injury.
5 Tim _____ have worried so much about the competition; he won the trophy easily.
6 Competitors _____ speak politely to the judges during the competition, even if they disagree with their results.
7 The coach has stressed that the players _____ practise more if they want to win the tournament.
8 Players _____ wear jewellery during competitions for safety reasons.

5 Choose the correct option.

1 Jacob was **unable/sure/certain** to compete in the final round due to his injury.
2 Spectators are **forbidden/unlikely/required** to show their tickets for entry into the stadium.
3 If you are injured, you are **ready/supposed/permitted** to report it to the coach immediately.
4 We are **allowed/bound/due** to use the school's sports equipment during sporting events.
5 Are Olympic athletes **unable/forbidden/sure** to take banned substances?
6 Hurry up! The race is **about/due/certain** to begin.

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