Focus 3. Unit 3. Grammar 3.2

3.2 Present and past speculation

1 Complete the sentences with the verbs in the boxes.

~~may rain~~	can't have rained
must have won	could win

0 There are some dark clouds in the sky. It *may rain* later.

1 Adam's so good with computers – he _____ any competition.

2 The streets are completely dry – it _____.

3 She is buying lots of new things! She _____ a lot of money in the lottery.

could take	could have taken
must like	must have liked

4 Does your aunt like modern art? You _____ her to the new art gallery when she next visits you.

5 He's been playing that computer game all day. He _____ it very much.

6 People _____ that song – the radio played it many times every day.

7 Violet _____ the key and now you can't find it.

~~may meet~~	can't be
can't have been	may have met

0 We live in the same neighbourhood, so we *may meet* in the future.

1 We _____ in Glasgow while I was living there.

2 Helen _____ serious about that. I'm sure she was joking.

3 You _____ serious about taking a gap year. It's such a bad idea.

could stay	must rain
could have stayed	must have rained

4 If money is not a problem, you _____ _____ at the new four-star hotel in the centre.

5 A lot of people are carrying umbrellas – it _____ before.

6 Most people in the UK carry an umbrella with them. It _____ a lot there.

7 I thought Jim was coming back yesterday, but he _____ in France for a few extra days.

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