

# Modal Verbs of DEDUCTION

## 1) Match the sentences (WRITE YOUR ANSWERS IN BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS!)

1. He might be American.
2. He can't be a university student.
3. He must be cold.
4. He might be going to the gym.
5. He could be lost.
6. He must be married.
7. He must be a tourist.
8. He can't be enjoying the party.
9. He may not have a job.
10. He can't be a businessman.

- a) He's carrying a sports bag.
- b) He's carrying a camera and a guide book.
- c) He's looking at a map.
- d) He's wearing a baseball cap.
- e) He's looking at job adverts in the newspaper.
- f) He isn't talking to anybody.
- g) He isn't wearing a suit.
- h) He's wearing a wedding ring.
- i) He's not old enough.
- j) He isn't wearing a jumper.

## 2) Complete with MUST, MIGHT (NOT) or CAN'T.

1) A: Do you know anyone who drives a Ferrari?  
B: Yes, my nephew. I don't know his salary, but he \_\_\_\_\_ earn a fortune!

2) A: Why don't you buy this dress for your mum?  
B: I'm not sure. She \_\_\_\_\_ like it. It's a bit short for her.

3) A: My sister works as an interpreter for the EU.  
B: She \_\_\_\_\_ speak a lot of languages to work there.

4) A: Did you know that Andy's parents have split up?  
B: Poor Andy. He \_\_\_\_\_ feel very happy about that.

5) A: Are your neighbours away? All the windows are closed.  
B: I'm not sure. I suppose they \_\_\_\_\_ be on holiday.

6) A: Where's your colleague today?  
B: She \_\_\_\_\_ be ill. She called to say that she's going to the doctor's.

7) A: Jane is looking at you in a very strange way.  
B: Yes. I've grown a beard since I saw her last, so she \_\_\_\_\_ recognize me.

8) A: My daughter has failed all her exams again.  
B: She \_\_\_\_\_ be working very hard if she gets such bad grades.

9) A: Why is Tine so happy?  
10) B: I'm not sure, but she \_\_\_\_\_ have a new partner.

11) A: Where's the manager's house?  
B: I don't know, but he \_\_\_\_\_ live near the office because he commutes every day by train.

