MODALS IN PAST
REVIEW

READING PRACTICE:

1. **Read the following news article about a traffic accident in Peru.**

A terrible accident occurred on the road to Ayacucho yesterday night. __**[A]**__ A rescue team and firefighters have been there for 5 hours in order to find more victims at Humay district.

It was about 11.30 pm, when a bus, which was traveling from Lima to Ayacuho 'Los Libertadores' highway, crashed into a big hill. Some witnesses said that it was because the brakes **might not have been** working well, while some said that the driver **might have fallen** asleep. _____Also, he was not aware of the speed limit.

Pedro Dueñas, a passenger who has few injuries said: 'I was sitting in the corridor and I was sleeping. Suddenly, the driver lost control of the bus, everybody was screaming and finally, there was a big crash ahead'. _____ 'I was going to Ayacucho for Holy Week and I have never thought to be in this horrible situation!' He continued.

A relative of one of the passengers, Elizabeth Carrasco asked: 'Who is going to get in charge of this accident? The transportation company has not said a word yet! If my brother and sister-in-law hadn't been taken to the hospital by the authorities, they **would have died**!'

_____ Unfortunately, the ones who died were taken to the mortuary to be recognized by their relatives.

Police experts are searching for the real causes of this accident and people are claiming the company's support. This accident has plunged relatives, and the country mourns for one more accident on our highways; especially now that everyone is prepared for the days off from Holy Week. _____

2. **Some sentences were taken from the passage above.**
3. **Insert them in the correct space. One of them is not included in this passage.**

[A] Due to this unfortunate fact, 25 people (including the driver) died and 8 hurt passengers were taken to a hospital after a bus had crashed into a hill.

[B] As it was informed, passengers who survived were taken to the Emergency Hospital in Pisco and they are going to be released after their recovery.

[C] However, a witness, who was going to Ayacucho for Holy Week's festivities, said that the bus driver was going really fast and did not follow the sign.

[D] If the driver had been conscious of it, we **would not have had** this news in the headlines.

[E] 'It was terrible, most people were traveling with relatives and some had babies in there as well'.

[F] Due to the irresponsible actions of the driver, lots of lives were abruptly taken that day, leaving lots of children in charge of a public orphanage.

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4. **Tick (√) the statements that are *TRUE* in the passage.**

a. A rescue team and firefighters have been there for 5 hours to find more victims at the Callao district.

b. The accident happened before midnight when a bus crashed into a hill.

c. The driver was not very conscious at all of the speed limit.

d. The accident happened on a holiday close to Carnival.

e. There was a report of more than 25 deaths and 8 injured victims from this accident.

f. That accident left survivors and the whole country claiming not to have another accident of such magnitude anymore.

USE OF ENGLISH: REVIEW OF MODALS IN PAST

1. **Pick one of the sortable answers of modals in past to complete the sentences below.**

a. John_____ on holiday yesterday evening. I saw him this morning downtown.

b. I _____ the results of my exam yet. I think my mum had done that beforehand, and that gives me shivers.

c. Jim had arrived safe and sound if he _____ the correct train.

d. I don't know where they went on holiday, but they bought euros before they left. Perhaps, they _____ to France or Germany.

e. It _____ Mickey I saw at the party. It seems to me he didn't recognize at all last night.

f. We _____ the money back to her on time; otherwise she wouldn't be resentful with us.

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