

Language Focus Unit 4



Possibility and certainty

1 Tick (✓) the correct sentences.

Colin might be embarrassed because he forgot the words of his presentation. ✓

- 1 Dogs and cats might feel love towards their owners. I'm 100% certain about this. ____
- 2 Jon could not know about the party this weekend, so we'll tell him. ____
- 3 I know for sure that the information you gave me can't be true. ____
- 4 Maria must wear her red dress to the concert. I think it's her favourite. ____
- 5 We could decide to ask the teacher for help, but we're not certain yet. ____

2 Choose the correct words.

She's smiling, so she must / might have passed her exam.

- 1 You **might** / **couldn't** be more worried about your exams than you think.
- 2 I **may** / **must** paint my room orange. I haven't decided for definite yet.
- 3 I **can't** / **could** be afraid of snakes, but I'm not certain because I've never seen one!
- 4 Mum and Dad **could** / **might not** realize that their dancing embarrasses me, so I'll tell them.
- 5 I'm sure what she said **can't** / **may not** be true.

3 Complete the dialogues with the correct modal verb in brackets.

A Mum may (can't / may) be surprised that I got an A+ for my exam.

B Well, you won't know until you tell her!

- 1 A He ____ (must / can't) be her brother. They don't look like each other.
B You're right. That's her boyfriend, not her brother!
- 2 A We ____ (could / must) be frightened on the roller coaster, but let's try it!
B OK! Let's go!
- 3 A Harry ____ (might / must) not know Amy, so I'll introduce them.
B That's nice of you.
- 4 A Goldfish ____ (may / must) get bored. I'm certain about it.
B I don't agree. They seem happy to me.
- 5 A She ____ (may / can't) be annoyed with you because you laughed at her.
B Oh, no! I hope not!

Ability, advice and obligation

4 Order the words to make sentences or questions.

a musical instrument / we / play / can't

We can't play a musical instrument.

- 1 can / really / you / sing / well

- 2 I / I / three / when / was / could / read / ?

- 3 be able to / to the concert / I / come / won't

- 4 me / the teacher / help / be able to / will / ?

- 5 might / fix / be able to / my bike / Rachel

5 Look at the underlined words in the list of rules. Tick (✓) the correct ones.

Clyde's Fitness Centre Rules

At Clyde's Fitness Centre, we want everyone to have fun, but there are some rules that you have to ☒ follow.

- Members mustn't to (1) ☐ bring food into the gym.
- Members should (2) ☐ ask for help before using gym equipment for the first time.
- Members shouldn't to (3) ☐ run when they are near the pool.
- Members have (4) ☐ bring their own towels.
- Members don't have (5) ☐ pay to use the basketball court.
- The centre closes at 9, so members must (6) ☐ be out of the pool by 8.45.

Members have to obey these rules at all times while they're in the fitness centre!