

Modals of Deduction

1- Choose the correct option to complete the sentences (Modals of Deduction in the Present).

1. Do you remember my birthday party last year? You _____ remember! It was the same day as your graduation.
a) can't b) could c) must
2. Come in and sit down. You _____ be tired after the journey.
a) must b) might c) can't
3. Whose is this coat? It _____ be Paul's. It's way too small for him.
a) must b) could c) can't
4. The exam results will be out soon. It _____ be this week or possibly next week.
a) must b) might c) can't
5. She always gets such good grades at school. She _____ work very hard.
a) must b) could c) can't
6. The doctor said my headaches _____ be because of the hot weather but they're going to do some tests to be sure.
a) must b) could c) can't
7. He _____ be our teacher! He looks about twelve!
a) must b) might c) can't
8. Take this umbrella just in case. It looks as if it _____ rain.
a) must b) might c) can't

2- Match the sentences that have the same meaning (Modals of Deduction in the Past / in the Present).

1. I'm sure that is Katie. _____	a. It may be Katie.
2. I'm sure that isn't Katie. _____	b. That girl can't be Katie.
3. It's possible that it is Katie. _____	c. It can't have been Katie.
4. Maybe that isn't Katie. _____	d. That girl must be Katie.
5. I'm certain that wasn't Katie. _____	e. It could have been Katie.
6. Perhaps that was Katie. _____	f. That must have been Katie.
7. It was definitely Katie. _____	g. It might not be Katie.

3- Complete the sentences using the correct modal of deduction and writing the verbs in the correct form (*Modals of Deduction in the Past*).

1. Nobody knows exactly why he died. But we think it _____ (be) an accident.
2. I _____ (revise) more for the exam. I was lazy, and now I'll fail!
3. Sarah looked very happy. She _____ (pass) her driving test.
4. I didn't know you were going to Phil's party yesterday. You _____ (tell) me!
5. I can't believe Jim hasn't arrived yet. He _____ (take) the wrong train.
6. I can't believe Jim hasn't arrived yet. He _____ (take) the correct train.
7. You _____ (be) ill yesterday. Jessie saw you at the bowling alley.
8. I don't know where they went but they _____ (go) to Paris or Marseille.
9. You _____ (pay) more attention. Now we are lost.
10. The window was broken, so the thieves _____ (get) in through that window.