



PARAPHRASING B2

SPECULATING ABOUT THE PRESENT

1. **I'm certain** she is his girlfriend. They are always together.

MUST She _____ girlfriend. They are always together.

2. **It's impossible** that they are hungry. They just had a full Irish breakfast.
CAN'T They _____ they just had a full Irish breakfast.

3. **I'm sure** we can find a taxi around here.

MUST We _____ find a taxi around here.

4. **It's possible that** he likes you. You are a beautiful girl.

MAY He _____. You are a beautiful girl.

SPECULATING ABOUT THE PAST

1. **It's possible** that she has injured her arm in the accident.

HAVE She _____ her arm in the accident.

2. **I'm sure** she didn't mean to offend you.

MEANT She _____ to offend you.

3. I'm certain he's not gone home because his car is still parked outside.

GONE He _____ because his car is still parked outside.

4. I think they probably didn't wait for us because it was raining.

NOT I think they _____ for us because it was raining.

AGO to FOR / FOR to AGO / LAST

1. She hasn't gone on holidays **for** six years. **LAST**

The _____ holidays was six years **ago**.

2. He has been running marathons **for** over five years.

STARTED He _____ five years **ago**.

3. They relocated to Ireland three years **ago**. **HAVE** They _____ for three years.

4. The last time I saw Jack was three months **ago**. **SEEN** I _____ three months.

5. I have not played tennis with Mike **for** months. **TIME**

The _____ with Mike was months **ago**.

AGO to SINCE/ SINCE to AGO SINCE to FOR / FOR to SINCE

1. It's been two years now **since** he started working for us. **BEEN**
He _____ for two years.

2. They moved to England nine years **ago**. **SINCE**

It's _____ moved to England.

3. It's four months **since** I last visited my uncle John. **LAST**
The _____ uncle John was four months **ago**.

4. Adolf Hitler has been dead **for** over 70 years. **BEEN**
Adolf Hitler _____ 1945.

5. They have been dating **for** a week. **LAST**
They _____ week.

TOO to ENOUGH / ENOUGH to TOO

1. The weight is **too** heavy for me to lift.
NOT I'm _____ the weight.

2. The water wasn't clean **enough** for us to swim. **WAS**
The _____ for us to swim.

3. I didn't want to drink the tea because it was **too** cold.
FOR The tea _____ me to drink.

4. That smartphone was **too** expensive for me to buy it.
HAVE I didn't _____ that smartphone.

5. They thought he wasn't tall **enough** to play basketball with his friends.

WAS They thought _____ play basketball with his friends.

REPORTED SPEECH (indirect speech)

1. 'I'll tell you tonight,' Jim promised. Future Simple
WOULD

Jim promised that _____ night.

2. 'You need a holiday,' she told him. Present Simple
SAID

She _____ a holiday. Past Simple

3. 'I'm pregnant with twins,' she announced. **THAT**

She _____ with twins.

4. "When I arrived, they had finished the exam," She said. **HAD**

She said that when she _____ the exam.

5. "I had been watching a movie when the alarm went off, " He explained.
GONE

He said that when the alarm _____ been watching a movie.

6. "Stop making noise," the teacher said to us. **TOLD**
The teacher _____ making noise.